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## Christopher Gains Little From China on Rights; President 'Disappointed'

By Elaine Sciolino New York Times Service

BEIJING - Three days of talks between Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher and China's leaders ended Monday with only token gestures on human rights, far less progress than is required if the United States is to continue trade privileges for Beijing

Mr. Christopher's talks, which both sides said were quite blunt, were the United States' highest-level visit to Beijing since the Clinton administration took office and had been planned as the high point of the administra-tion's six-month strategy of intensive, high-level engagement with the Chinese.

But by sending home Mr. Christopher with little to show for his first trip to Beijing as secretary of state, the Chinese instead have complicated their chances of retaining the trade privileges that expire in June.

Under an executive order by President Bill Clinton, China must make "significant, overall progress" in human rights to win extension of the trade benefits, which allow Chinese goods to enter the United States with virtually no

Chinese side understands the importance of human rights to the United States in connec-

## Asians Fear Beijing Seeks Control of Sea

By Michael Richardson

SINGAPORE —The growing political influence of the armed forces in China and dwindling domestic oil supplies are pushing Beijing to try to enforce its claims to control nearly ali of the South China Sea, analysts in the region

Such a move, if backed by the threat or use of overwhelming force, could secure Chinese access to extensive new offshore oil and gas reserves in the region — but at a very high

Virtually every country in Southeast Asia would oppose China's action. Japan and the United States, fearing Chinese curbs on free-dom of navigation through the South China. Sea, would almost certainly throw their weight behind the Southeast Asian states.

repeatedly denied that China has any intention of threatening its neighbors.

Nonetheless, regional analysts and officials say they are concerned that China is systematically developing the capability to project naval, air and amphibious power to take advantage of a receding U.S. and Russian military presence in East Asia and the western Pacific.

Analysts said China's armed forces already had a major voice in policy-making by the Communist Party.

This role is likely to become even more decisive after the demise of China's senior leader, Deng Xiaoping, when weak civilian leadership will have to be even more mindful of military

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#### U.S. Warplane Down Off Kenya

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - A U.S. AC-130 warplane assigned to support American forces in Somalia crash-landed Monday in the ocean off of Kenya, and at least one crewman was known killed and 10 were missing, the Defense Department

Military authorities said three of the 14 crew members aboard the four-engine plane had survived the crash. The AC-130, one of four such U.S. attack planes based in the Kenyan coastal city of Mombasa, crashed about 200 yards offshore near the town of Malindi, the authorities said. They said the cause of the crash was not immediately known.

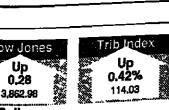
It was the worst incident for American forces in Somalia since 18 U.S. soldiers were killed in a shoot-out in the capital, Mogadishu, on Oct. 3. American troops are now being pulled out of Somalia on orders from President Bill Clinton and are to be gone by the end of this month.

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## Mr. Christopher said after a meeting Monday morning with Foreign Minister Qian Qichen. "I doubt we would have achieved such clarity at least at the highest levels without the advantage of this raise."

Mr. Christopher's presentation on Monday after his second meeting with Mr. Qian lacked the rancor and critical tone of remarks made during his first two days here, when he also met with President Jiang Zemin and Prime Minister

"In an overall sense I find the differences between the United States and China are nar-rowing somewhat." Mr. Christopher said. But. he added, "more work clearly needs to be

[But President Clinton, attending an international jobs conference in Detroit, said Monday,
"I was disappointed at the results of the meeting with the secretary of state." The Associated Press reported

[He added: "Our policy is the same. We'll just have to wait and see what happens between now and June." June is when the United States must decide whether to renew China's mostfavored-nation trade status.

["I'll make a judgment at the appropriate The meeting on Monday between Mr. Chris-See TOUR, Page 4

## Chinese Leaders Fret Most Over Militant Labor

By Kevin Murphy rnational Herald Tribi

HONG KONG - With independent, apparently spontaneous worker militancy spreading across China, Beijing sees a greater threat to its rule from an organized labor rights movement than from a potential loss of export markets in

A surge in strikes, sabotage, protests and petitions highlights the social problems stem-

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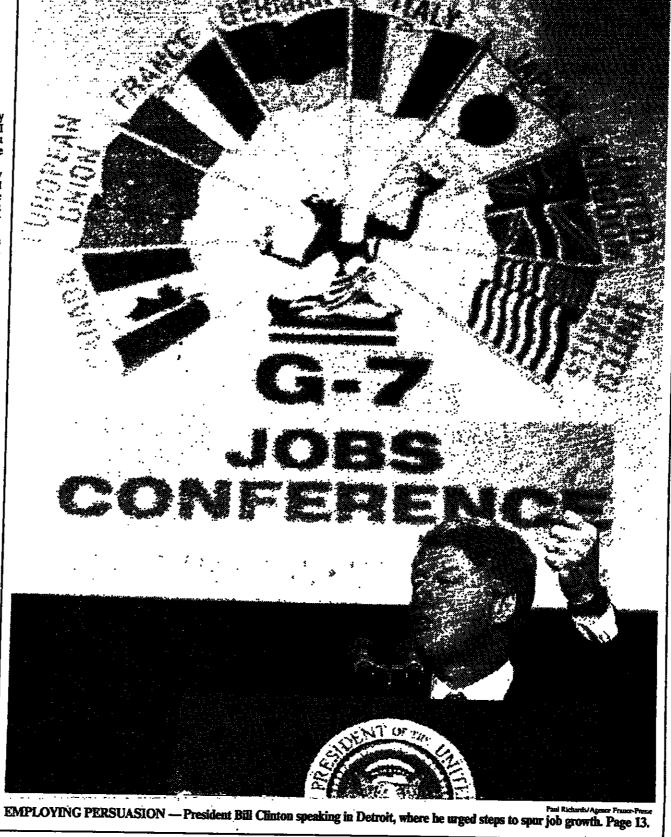
ming from a decade of economic reform. Such actions numbered 15,000 in 1993, according to the official All-China Federation of Trade

Independent labor unions are far more dangerous than calls for democracy," said Lee k-yan, president of Hong Kong's Confederation of Trade Unions. "Workers' problems and rights are something deeply rooted in daily

"In 1994 the Chinese are more worried about labor unrest than anything else," Mr. Lee said. Beijing cracked down on dissidents who could crystallize worker discontent ahead of Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher's four-day visit, which ended Monday. This action, analysts said, betrayed a greater priority on protecting domestic political power than lobbying to keep most-favored-nation trade

China's decision to dismantle communism and embrace a market economy has brought with it explosive growth, waves of foreign investment, greater opportunities for individual profit and a \$23 billion trade surplus with the United States.

It has also created a host of threats to the livelihoods of millions of its citizens who are badly prepared for sweeping economic change. Now, a plea for workers' rights coming from See CHINA, Page 4



## The First Lady Feels the Spotlight's Heat

By Ruth Marcus

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — As the first wave of White House officials appeared before a federal grand jury, Hillary Rodham Clinton telephoned a senior White House official to relate her concern.

She just wanted to know how her girls did today," the official said. Among the first White House aides to testify before the grand jury were two of Mrs. Clinton's senior aides: her chief of staff, Margaret

Williams, and her press secretary, Lisa Caputo. Mrs. Clinton's actions in Arkansas, where she played a dual role as the wife of the gover-nor and a partner at the Rose Law Firm, have become a major focus of attention in the inqui-

Also drawing attention to Mrs. Clinton, administration officials say, has been her resistance to additional disclosures about Whitewater and her legal work. She was among the last holdouts fighting the appointment of a special counsel. That stance, the officials concede, only added to the public perception of a White House with something to hide.

In a sign of a growing defensiveness in the

the failed thrift owned by the Clintons' White house, David R. Gergen, the presidential commelor, said over the weekend that it was wholely unfair to make Hillary Clinton the scapegoat in the way the White House has handled the Whitewater matter."

> "She has been part of a decision-making process in which strong arguments have been presented on both sides on a couple of tough dgment calls," he said. "She has not thought it right to be stampeded by critics whose mo-

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## Latest Blow **To Clinton: Another Aide** Steps Down

#### No. 3 at Justice Dept. Was Longtime Friend; S&L Links Mentioned

By Paul F. Horvitz

WASHINGTON - President Bill Clinton was dealt another heavy political blow Monday with the resignation of a trusted friend from the No. 3 job at the Justice Department following a dispute over billing irregularities at the offi-cial's former Arkansas law firm. The Clinton friend, Webster L. Hubbell, was

named associate attorney general last year, a continuation of his close relationship to Mr. Clinton and his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton. Mrs. Clinton and Mr. Hubbell worked together at the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock.

Mr. Clinton said he accepted the resignation with profound sadness and regret."

Mr. Hubbell said he was leaving because handling his private affairs would distract from his government service, and he expressed dismay that speculation about his affairs had gained so much currency in the press. He said he hoped to return eventually to public service. Attorney General Janet Reno praised Mr. Hubbell's character and said she believed he

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had done nothing wrong in the "private dis-pute" between Mr. Hubbell and his old law

Mr. Hubbell's departure is the third loss of a close friend of the president and Mrs. Clinton from a semor administration job.

The White House counsel, Bernard W. Nussbaum, resigned earlier this month after attending meetings on Mr. Clinton's Whitewater trou-bles that White House critics said were

Vincent W. Foster Jr., another former Rose colleague of Mrs. Clinton's, killed himself in July. The circumstances of his death are being reviewed by a special prosecutor.

The Rose firm is under intense scrutiny from federal banking regulators and journalists. Any questions about Rose are likely to rub off on Mrs. Clinton, and the departure of another close associate of the president can only deepen a growing impression of a government in disar-

The White House and Ms. Reno had recently expressed their full confidence in Mr. Hubbell. Ms. Reno declared Monday: "I don't believe he did a thing wrong and I believe ultimately that will be clear to people."

Aware of Mr. Hubbell's vulnerability, Republican critics of the president had called recently for his resignation. They have raised pointed questions about Mr. Hubbell's links to the same failed Arkansas savings and loan institution that is at the heart of Mr. Clinton's current political troubles in the so-called Whitewater matter.

Mr. Hubbell had previously insisted that he had done nothing wrong, and a Clinton admin-istration official quoted anonymously by The Associated Press said he had not been asked to

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## **Euro Disney Gets Lifeline** From Banks and Parent

By Jacques Neher International Herold Tribone

PARIS - Europe's version of the Magic Kingdom won a reprieve Monday when bankers, Walt Disney Co. and Euro Disney SCA agreed to an estimated \$2.5 billion financial restructuring package designed to give the troubled resort a chance at proving its economic vitality by next year.

Analysts say the deal lets Euro Disney's 60-plus French and international banks largely off the hook while requiring the American leisure giant, which owns 49 percent of the park, to reach much deeper than expected into its own pocket. Current stockholders also will feel the pinch, having a choice of buying more shares in a rights issue or seeing their holdings, already battered by the market, diluted.

Euro Disney stock jumped 5 percent on the announcement of the accord, but finished the day down nearly 8 percent to 33.85 French francs (\$5.90) from Friday's close of 36.75

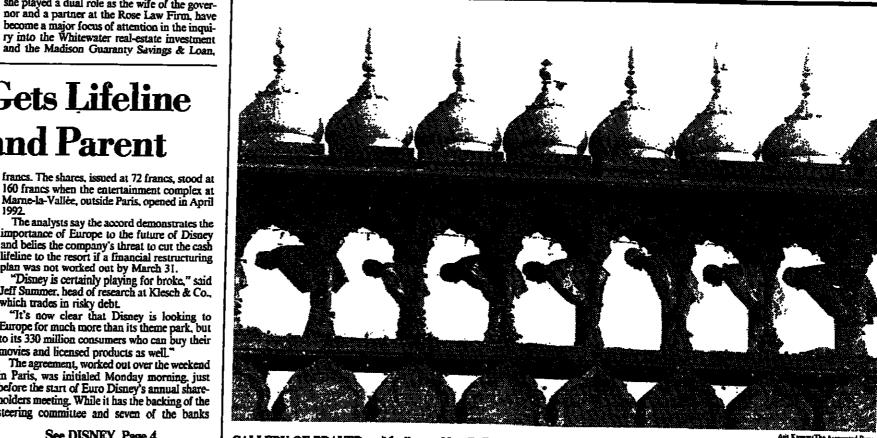
francs. The shares, issued at 72 francs, stood at 160 francs when the entertainment complex at Marne-la-Vallée, outside Paris, opened in April

The analysts say the accord demonstrates the importance of Europe to the future of Disney and belies the company's threat to cut the cash lifeline to the resort if a financial restructuring plan was not worked out by March 31.
"Disney is certainly playing for broke," said
Jeff Summer, head of research at Klesch & Co.,

which trades in risky debt. "It's now clear that Disney is looking to Europe for much more than its theme park, but to its 330 million consumers who can buy their

movies and licensed products as well." The agreement, worked out over the weekend in Paris, was initialed Monday morning, just before the start of Euro Disney's annual shareholders meeting. While it has the backing of the steering committee and seven of the banks

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GALLERY OF PRAYER - Muslims at New Delhi's Jama Masjid mosque Monday marking the close of Ramadan in India.

## Tinfoil Tootsie, Good-Bye: India Casts Out Unparliamentary Slurs

By Molly Moore

Washington Post Service NEW DELHI — "Once a ratbag, always a ratbag." "Unmitigated filthy, rotten teller of untruths." "Imperious, arrogant, glib toad."

Enough already! Is this any way for elected officials to address one another in the chambers of a nation's lawmak-

Absolutely not, the secretary general of India's national Parliament has decreed. In fact, he said, all this nasty namecalling and vicious verbiage is downright unparliamentary. To help elected lawmakers in the world's most populous democracy avoid etiquette pitfalls in moments of political passion, the secretariat of the lower chamber, the Lok Sabha, has compiled 218 pages of comments and statements deemed "Unparliamentary Expressions." It lists phrases, terminology and labels forbidden on the floors of legislative chambers.

Who would dare call a colleague a "spineless cabbage," a "tinfoil tootsie" or a "geriatric Bible basher"?

"No member would utter such words intentionally," said Vinay Bhatnagar, assistant director of public relations for the Lok Sabha. "Unparliamentary expressions are uttered only in the heat of the moment."

Mr. Bhatnagar is philosophical about the antics of In-dia's elected officials: "Forty years in the life of a nation is very little. Gradually, they will attain a certain level of maturity — maybe 100 years."

Meanwhile, the revised and updated edition of "Unpar-liamentary Expressions" can guide lawmakers. References to animals prove by far the most popular of the prohibited slurs. The proper member of Parliament should never accuse a colleague of "growling and grunting like a whale with a bellyache" or of being a "retardate

Whether an expression is allowed can depend on context.

"Dog' should not be used with reference to a member and should not be used even for oneself," but "Going to the dogs' is not unparliamentary when used with reference to matters other than members."

Every phrase in the book was uttered on the floor of a legislative body and ruled out-of-order by a chief parliamentarian, according to the authors, who have culled through the rulings made by dozens of parliamentarians in India and throughout what was once the British empire and beyond. They have discovered that political bombast knows no borders.

From one Australian senator in reference to another: "I thought I asked him to stay in the car and bark at strangers, not to come yapping at me."

And from the Yukon: "If the minister had Pinocchio's nose, it would be so long that 500 Yukon ravens could roost

their colleagues' life-styles and appearances, according to the guidelines. Ruled unacceptable was: "All the member is concerned

about is growing opium poppies, and from the look of him, sometimes it seems he has tried a few samples." As was: "Apply your mind, if you have any."

Although the Lok Sabha and other legislative bodies in

India have the authority to condemn or reprimand errant wordsmiths, Mr. Bhatnagar said punishment is rare.

"The chair can ask the member to withdraw his words," he said. If the member refuses to apologize, the words are simply expunged from the written record. But another censor may be on the way to cleaning up

legislative language: live television coverage of Parliament's proceedings. "The members would not like to be humiliated in front of

the audience," Mr. Bhatnagar said. "There is every possibil-Lawmakers should be particularly careful when assessing ity that they would then restrain themselves."

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By Michael R. Gordon

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — U.S. gunships
poised to make the first NATO air strike
of the Bosnian war were thwarted when United Nations commanders took hours to approve the raid, allowing Serbian forces who had been shelling French peacekeepers to slip away in the darkness, according to Western officials.

The episode raised questions about the efficiency of the chain of command created to protect UN peacekeepers and about the willingness of some senior UN officers to order attacks.

Two weeks ago, NATO jets fired the alliance's first shots in combat, when U.S. jets downed four Serbian planes violating a no-flight zone. NATO com-manders were able to authorize the action themselves under authority previously delegated by the United Nations.

But under the arrangements worked out by diplomats, UN approval is needed for air strikes against ground targets. UN officials say the procedure is needed because the air strikes, even only in defense tant political threshold and could open

UN troops in Bosnia to retaliation. But some U.S. officials say the procedure is so cumbersome that it inhibits NATO from using air strikes to protect UN troops when they come under fire.

According to Western officials, the episode with the French troops began when French peacekeepers near Bihac, in northwestern Bosnia, came under fire sometime around 7 P.M. Saturday. It was not a new experience for the

French. On Thursday, Serbs fired close to a French observation post and blew up two French trucks. In response, UN com-manders asked NATO planes to buzz the area, and the Serbian fire fell silent. On Friday, a French soldier was killed by sniper fire of undetermined origin.

In the attack on Saturday night, the French troops concluded that they were being shot at by Serbian tanks and began to fire back. They requested air strikes. The French request went up the UN chain of command, which runs through a British lieutenant general. Sir Michael

Rose, who from Sarajevo commands UN peacekeepers in Bosnia, to General Jean Cot, who from Zagreb commands all the UN peacekeeping troops in the former Yugoslavia.

Meanwhile, NATO was alerted by the United Nations to move its warplanes to the area so they would be in position to attack the Serbian forces. U.S. AC-130 planes arrived on the scene. According to a chronology provided to

the Pentagon, the French request was conveyed to General Cot's command around 8:30 P.M. Western officials familiar with the episode said it took time to track down General Cot and make him aware of the request.

While the gunships waited for authorization to attack, the Serbs continued to fire at the French. The airmen determined that the Serbs were using an anti-aircraft gun. At 10:25 P.M., fire from the gun passed over the French position. The French also became concerned that the

Serbs were massing their tanks. At 10:35 P.M., General Cot decided that air strikes were needed and put the request formally to Yasushi Akashi, the UN special envoy who has the authority to approve the request was a reasonable to authorize the air strike, according to a spokesman for Mr. Akashi.

The spokesman said Mr. Akashi had called a meeting in the operations room to consider the request. The UN officials discussed whether the target was clearly identified and whether a NATO strike might lead to retaliation or somehow endanger UN personnel in the area. Finally, at 11:39 P.M., about three hours after the request was made, Mr. Akashi authorized the strikes.

By then, however, observers with the French force were unable to pinpoint the Serbian forces, and bad weather obscured the target. After staying in the area for two hours, the Serbs managed to slip away into the woods. At 1:45 A.M.,

the mission was canceled. Some Western military officials said the Serbian gun could have been de-stroyed if NATO had received prompt authorization to fire. "By the time the pilots received authorization, the target had moved off," a military official said. A spokesman for Mr. Akashi asserted

period given the significance of the strike. But the spokesman declined to discuss whether UN commanders had acted expeditiously in making the request to the

■ Paris Seeks Faster Action France called Monday for a more efficient UN response to cease-fire viola-tions, saying the commanders of peacekeeping troops on the ground were too slow to use force, Reuters reported from

"We must go faster and be more deter-mined to use force every time it is necessary," Foreign Minister Alain Juppé told

Europe 1 radio.
"We do not have the impression that the leaders on the ground, those who represent the UN secretary-general, have the firm determination to use strength every time it is necessary," he said. "But

"Despite the turning point of a month ago in the Bosnian conflict, things are still confused on the ground," Mr. Juppé

talks it held last year with officials

of the Irish Republican Army and

its political wing. Sinn Fein, in order to resolve IRA doubts over

Britain's long-term intentions in

Heathrow caused no damage or injuries, the incidents of highly ex-

plosive mortar shells skittering across busy runways and bouncing

off the roofs of airport terminals

have inflamed public opinion in

Britain, and confronted Prime

Minister John Major with growing

pressure to take tougher measures

to address the IRA threat to the

After more mortar shells landed

nside the airport Sunday morning,

telephone bomb threats attributed

to the IRA later in the day forced

the government to close Heathrow

and nearby Gatwick Airport for

more than two hours, delaying

thousands of travelers and wreak-

ing havoc with air traffic not only in and out of London but also

throughout Europe and beyond. Both the British and Irish gov-

ernments dismissed what some in

London described on Monday as

an IRA attempt to test the resolve of the British and Irish govern-

ments, following the Heathrow at-

"It is deeply offensive to people

in Ireland and Britain that the IRA

should claim to be interested in

peace while they continue to kill in

cold blood and mount acts of ter-

ror," a senior government official

said in a statement released in Lon-

At the same time, Albert Reyn-

olds, the Irish prime minister, said

the IRA's action had strengthened

his government's determination to

hold fast to the terms of the joint

"This multiple attack on Heath-

row and the closure of Gatwick is a

gross miscalculation by the IRA,

and it is not going to advance the peace process," said Mr. Reynolds,

speaking while on a visit to the United States.

seemed to lean toward a tougher

John Hume, the leader of North-

"It was their intention to demon-

strate to the British government what they are capable of," Mr.

Hume said, "so that if there is a total cessation of violence they are

not backing or standing down from

a position of weakness, but from a

Kevin McNamara, a spokesman

on Northern Ireland for the British

Labor Party, also urged the govern-

ment to be flexible in dealing with

He said that the IRA's reply was

position of strength."

While public reaction in Britain

don on Monday.

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But while the shells fired into

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**Britain and Ireland** 

Reject IRA Appeal

Attacks Said to Firm Resolve

By William E. Schmidt

New York Times Service

LONDON — As flight opera-tions returned to normal Monday

at London's Heathrow and

Gatwick airports, paralyzed earlier

as a result of Irish Republican

Army actions, both the British and

.Irish governments sharply rebuffed

a new appeal by the IRA to reopen talks over a stalled peace initiative

The two governments said three

mortar attacks on Heathrow over a

five-day period, and threats that

forced the closure of Gatwick as

well, only underscored their deter-

mination to hold fast to the full

terms of the joint British-Irish dec-

laration promulgated in London in

The initiative, described late last

year as representing a "historic op-portunity" to end 25 years of sec-

tarian bloodshed in the province,

offers the IRA a seat at peace talks

only if it agrees beforehand to

Amid growing speculation that the shells lobbed into Heathrow

Airport had been intended to

frighten and not kill, the IRA's clandestine Army Council, the group's ruling body, issued a long statement Sunday night, declaring a willingness to be "flexible and

positive" toward finding a peaceful

ettlement in Northern Ireland,

where the IRA is fighting to end

British authority over the province.

airport in the three separate attacks

None of the 12 shells that hit the

The IRA statement, which made

for Northern Ireland.

## WORLD BRIEFS

#### Kohl Still Sees 'Realistic Chances'

BONN (AP) — Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Monday that he still had a good chance of re-election in October despite his party's landslide loss

a good chance of re-election in October despite ins party's landshife loss in a state election in Lower Saxony on Sunday.

"My view has not changed," Mr. Kohl said. His Christian Democrated ruling coalition has "realistic chances" of defeating the opposition Social Democrats in the Oct. 16 federal vote, he said. Speaking to reporters, Mr. Kohl blamed the country's deep recession and bad luck for the defeat in the first of seven state elections this year.

But Rudolf Scharping, the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer, celebrated his pearly successful as the Social Democrat standard-bearer as the Social Democrat standard standard standard standard standard

ed his party's victory as a hoped-for harbinger that he and his party would end Mr. Kohl's 12 years in office in October. With joblessness at a postwar high of more than 4 million and growing by the day, polls put Mr. Scharping as much as 15 percentage points ahead of Mr. Kohl.

#### Toll Put at 13 in Bosporus Collision

ISTANBUL (Reuters) - The fiery collision between an oil tanker and a freighter in the Bosporus Strait killed at least 13 seamen and injured 28, Turkish television said Monday. Sixteen crew members were missing. Emergency teams were still battling a fire on the Cypriot-registered Nassia, which was carrying a cargo of 98,500 metric tons of crude oil. On Monday, tugs hauled the stricken tanker away from the rocky Asian shore toward the open waters of the Black Sea to allow firefighting ships to attack the blaze from both sides. The state minister for manitime affairs, Ibrahim Tez, said pollution would be limited because most of the oil that spilled from three ruptured tanks had burned off in the water. The accident Sunday night at the Black Sea entrance to one of the world's busiest shipping lanes was the worst there since 1979, when an oil tanker exploded after a collision, killing 43 seamen. Officials said the 30kilometer (19-mile) strait would remain closed to shipping until all hazards had been neutralized.

#### Slovaks Choose Ex-Foreign Minister

BRATISLAVA, Slovakia (Reuters) - Former Foreign Minister Jozef Moravcik was chosen by a coalition of five parties on Monday to replace. Vladimir Meciar as prime minister, a presidential spokesman said. President Michal Kovac has approved the nomination of Mr. Moravcik, who was Czechoslovakia's last foreign minister under the federal . system, which split into independent Czech and Slovak states in January 1993.

Mr. Meciar, independent Slovakia's first prime minister, was ousted in a parliamentary vote of no-confidence on Friday after bickering with Mr. Kovac and following a stream of dismissals and resignations by ministers and members of his own party.

#### North Korea Inspections Broken Off

VIENNA (AFP) — North Korea prevented a full inspection of its nuclear sites, as had been agreed with the United States, a source at the International Atomic Energy Agency headquarters said Monday.
The source said that barring a "highly improbable" change of attitude

by Pyongyang, the inspectors would leave North Korea on Tuesday for

Beijing on their way back to Vienna.

The inspections of seven suspect sites resumed March 3 after more than a year, following months of stalling by North Korea amid suspicions that it was trying to develop a nuclear bomb. Pyongyang finally agreed to let the agency inspectors in after talks with Washington ended in an accord.

#### **Waldheim Rejects Findings of Report** VIENNA (Reuters) - Kurt Waldheim, the former president of Aus-

tria, on Monday rejected allegations in a 1987 U.S. government report leaked over the weekend that linked him to Nazi World War II atrocities in the Balkans. He said the report's claims were not backed by the "The document consists of exactly the same collection of allegations

that in the meantime have been disproved by three historical commissions as distortions and falsifications," Mr. Waldheim said in a statement to the APA news age The 204-page U.S. Justice Department report said Mr. Waldheim

served as an officer in German Army units stationed in the Balkans that committed atrocities during World War II. The report formed the basis for the U.S. decision to bar the former UN secretary-general from the United States because of his role as a Nazi lieutenant from 1942 to 1945.

## **EU Power-Sharing Problem** Seems to Be Insurmountable

BRUSSELS -- The European Union, struggling to maintain its drive for greater world influence, will try Tuesday to resolve a dispute over the sharing of power when the bloc admits new

Britain and Spain have insisted that their existing powers to block EU decisions must not be diluted when new countries join the 12nation bloc, but others say the rules must be changed to reflect expanded membership.

Austria, Fiuland, Norway and Sweden are expected to join the European Union next year, and such East European countries as Poland and Hungary are waiting in the wings.

EU foreign ministers will try to find a compromise on the complex issue of voting rights at a meeting in Brussels, although there is little sign that they will be able to solve the problem.

#### TRAVEL UPDATE

#### 3d Airline Flies Madrid-Barcelona

MADRID (AP) - Competition on Spain's most-traveled air route heated up Monday as Spanair became the third airline to operate regular flights between Madrid and Barcelona, six weeks after Iberia's monopoly on the route ended.

Spanair plans to operate seven round-trip weekday flights with a basic fare of 20,000 pesetas (\$140) and a restricted discount fare of 17,200 pesetas (\$120).

On Jan. 31, Air Europa joined Iberia with nine round-trip weekday flights with a basic fare of 20,000 pesetas. Iberia responded by dropping its restricted discount fare to 17,900 while maintaining its basic fare of International flights resumed Monday from Abadan in southwestern

Iran, 13 years after the airport was nearly destroyed during the war with Iraq, Tehran radio reported. In three months, the Kangaroo Cafe will open in Beijing, serving up the meat of Australia's most famous animal, Xinhua news agency reported.

The joint venture between Sabina Pacific Ltd. of Australia and Beijing's New Century Co. will combine cooking methods from the two countries to prepare the kangaroo dishes.

Kyoto, Japan, celebrates its 1,200th anniversary this year with more than 1,200 concerts, exhibits, symposia and festivals. Highlights include a historical pageant on June 6.

The U.S. National Transportation Safety Board recommends that airlines replace the type of seat belts that proved difficult to open for survivors of a Jan. 7 commuter plane crash in Ohio. The board said tests showed the belt buckles complied with federal requirements but did not

BANNED BUT BELLIGERENT - These followers of the late Rabbi Meir Kahane predicted Monday in the occupied West Bank that an underground struggle against Palestinians would continue despite the banning of extremist groups founded by the militant rabbi.

## U.S. Presses Both Sides on Mideast Talks

TUNIS — Dennis Ross, a senior U.S. coordinator of the Middle on Monday to discuss resuming ne-

gotiations with Israel. "We had some useful talks," Mr. meeting, which was held amid optimism voiced in Israel over an early resumption of negotiations. Mr. Ross said his talks with the PLO would continue.

"Discussions were very useful and frank," said a PLO Executive Committee member. Yasser Abed

the occupied territories and the ne-U.S. coordinator of the Middle cessity of assuring the security Reast peace talks, met Yasser Arafat needs for the Palestinian people in order to allow the political negotia-

tions to resume.' In Jerusalem, Environment Minwere about to resume. "I hope and believe according to all the signs that official negotiations will start at the weekend," he said.

Hours before the Ross-Arafat meeting, an Israeli delegation met Mr. Arafat in Tunis to give Israel's response to PLO security demands following the Feb. 25 massacre of

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The PLO's stand is that it will resume talks once the United States and Russia, co-sponsors of the Middle East peace process, guarantee implementation of a United Nations Security Council resolution calling for measures to ensure the safety of the Palestinians in the occupied territories.

PLO and Israel to send negotiators events."

to Washington to complete their self-rule accord.

of Israel

The United States has invited the know how to overcome painful tiative. It stopped short of rejecting the plan. Instead, the IRA demand-

#### U.S. officials said Mr. Ross was to return to Washington for meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin

exploded, leading some to believe they had been rigged not to go off. Washington on Monday night, said, "I believe we will put the no mention of the mortar attacks, peace negotiations back on track. was the organization's first official Those who want peace have to reply to the joint British-Irish ini-

## Terre'Blanche Predicts War

#### White Extremist Says Homeland Seizure Was Betrayed

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches VENTERSDORP, South Africa The neo-Nazi leader Eugene Terre'Blanche predicted Monday that war, chaos and revolution would engulf South Africa in the

run-up to all-race elections. "I think the war will intensify," Mr. Terre'Blanche said. "We are heading for chaos and not an election," he said, adding, We are heading for a revolution,

not peace and prosperity."
Mr. Terre Blanche is leader of the Afrikaner Resistance Movement, known as the AWB, its ini-Armed members of the move

ment flooded into the capital of the

black homeland of Bophuthats-wana last week in a failed bid to prop up the administration of Presdent Lucas Mangope. Three men from the group were shot to death by homeland police after white separatists had driven through the twin towns of Mma-

batho and Mafikeng shooting blacks at random. Mr. Terre'Blanche, speaking in his hometown in the western Transvaal, said he had been be-trayed by the Bophuthatswana defense force and his former ally

General Constand Viljoen.

"They went against their own kaner People's Front after the word," Mr. Terre Blanche said. homeland debacle, The People's they were betrayed."

He said the homeland operation nizations.

Mr. Terre'Blanche said his

itary assistance.

Mr. Mangope's former defense
minister, Rowan Cronje, said over
the weekend that the Bophuthatswana government had not invited

movement had had pacts with Mr. ing is set for April 26 to 28.

Mangooe — who was overthrown

The final deadline for submisby Pretoria over the weekend — sion of parties' lists of candidates and with the leader of the Ciskei, for the election was midnight Fri-Brigadier Oupa Gqozo, to lend mil-itary assistance. day. Shortly before the cut-off time, General Viljoen's Freedom

the resistance movement, but Mr. W. de Klerk said Monday that the Terre Blanche said Mr. Mangope KwaZulu black homeland, which had personally asked for interven- will not participate in the election

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Meanwhile, President Frederik

next month, was a "dark cloud" General Viljoen, saying Satur-hanging over the poll.

day that he wanted no more to do

Mr. de Klerk said, however, that
with the Afrikaner Resistance he was upbeat about free and fair

clarification to Sinn Fein if that

line on the IRA, some opposition political leaders urged Mr. Major "The AWB leadership believed Front includes Mr. Terre Blanche's to consider taking up the IRA's movement and other far-right orgalatest offer.

had been a victory because the movement had suffered far fewer in many ways," Mr. Terre Blanche casualties than homeland residents said.

"General Viljoen has betrayed us orn Ireland Social Democratic Labor Party, the moderate group that speaks on behalf of the majority of

"We are in a situation of war," the province's mostly Catholic na-About 40 people are believed to Mr. Terre Blanche said. "They are tionalist community, said he behave been killed in the week of trying to steal our sovereignty. I am message, because it did not intend to detonate any of the bombs it lobbed into Heathrow, from hidprotests against Mr. Mangope, the leader of the resistance. My among them passers-by, looters, people will stay independent and demonstrators and the men from sovereign. After April 27 we will the Afrikaner Resistance Move- use any means and ways to stay den positions outside the airport's perimeter.

The country's first all-race vot-

Movement, resigned from the Afri- elections.

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(Reuters, AFP) will help them accept its terms."

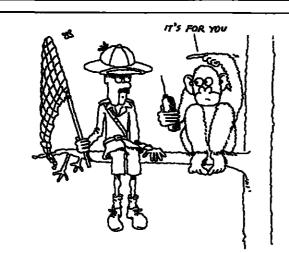
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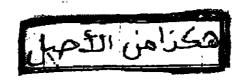


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> latched onto the device, which features two electromagnets and a sensor to gauge how much force is being applied.

The Defense Department launched a new era in portable and low-cost rocketry with the successful launching of a Taurus rocket carrying two satellites. The rocket soured aloft from Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, and minutes later deployed two advanced-technology satellites into polar circular orbits. The Taurus represents a new generation of rocket that can be launched with a

**Away From Politics** 

• Astronauts tested a new magnetic attachment for the space shuttle Columbia's robot arm that the

National Aeronautics and Space Administration hopes will allow for more deft handling of satellites

and other space cargo. Marsha Ivins swung the 50-

foot (15-meter) arm over the open payload bay and

small ground crew and portable equipment from remote sites, eliminating the need for a fixed base and launch pad, officials said.

• Much of the Midwest should be spared a repeat of last year's devastating floods, but heavy winter snow has increased spring flooding risks for the eastern parts of the Dakotas and western Minnesota, as well as for Pennsylvania, New York, western New Jersey and western New England, the National Weather Service said.

• Education Secretary Richard W. Riley has announced a program of voluntary national standards for arts education intended to reverse a steady decline in the teaching of the arts. Voluntary standards for math teachers were established by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics in 1989 and are being used in 40 percent of the nation's schools, Mr. Riley said.

AP, Reuters, NYT, WP

Open Season on Clinton's Veracity: What the Whitewater Fuss Is About

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that kept an account at Madison. Educately, the Clintons may be vulnerable because federal officials overseeing banking regulation held private discussions with aides to Mr. and Mrs. Clinton to alert the White House to investigators' and described the description of the private afforts the discussions with aides to Mr. Clinton to alert the white House to investigators' and the description of the private afforts the discussions with aides to Mr. Clinton's campaign treasury?

• Did the governor or his wife try to keep Madison affort to help their friend, James McDougal, who contributed to Mr. Clinton's campaign treasury? White House to investigators' procedures.

O. Why is all of this called Whitewater?

A. Whitewater refers to Whitewater Development Corp., a small company created to develop river-front land on the White River in Northern Arkansas. The company was a flop and the Clintons, who put money into

Whitewater, say they lost nearly \$69,000.
Three facts are fundamental: In 1978, Bill and Hillary Rodham Clinton joined James and Susan McDougal as investors in Whitewater, which was created by Mr. McDougal. In 1982, Mr. McDougal bought Madison Guaranty, a small savings and loan, and Whitewater Development kept an account at Madison. In 1993, Vincent W. Foster Jr., a close Clinton friend who held a top White House job and who had worked on Whitewater's back taxes, killed himself.

Whitewater might better be called the Madison-Whitewater-Foster affair.

Republicans are maintaining a drumbeat of criticism and demanding hearings in Congress. Journalists are scratch-Q. Why is there such an uproar? A. Ever since Watergate, the scandal that brought down President Richard Nixon two decades ago, any U.S. president's effort to contain a political crisis by withholding documents or skirting questions has guaranteed an uproar in Congress and the press.

The Clinton White House did try to soft-pedal Whitewater questions and initially tried to keep personal documents sequestered on the theory that Whitewater had nothing to do with the president's governmental duties. This alone was viewed by some commentators as scandalous, and Republicans are demanding to know what the White House is hiding.

O. What are the crucial issues in Whitewater? A. The core questions seem to be these:

• Did the president, while governor of Arkansas, gain

"There are a lot of things about this country that we hould be discussing. I realize that's not possible now.

days, credible reports suggest that the Clintons may at least have to pay back taxes related to a real estate venture before it collapsed in 1989? Did Madison funds, for a real estate venture before it collapsed in 1989? Did Madison funds, for a real estate venture before it collapsed in 1989? Did Madison funds, for a real estate venture before it collapsed in 1989? Did Madison funds, for a real estate venture before it collapsed in 1989? Did Madison funds, for a real estate venture before it collapsed in 1989? Did Madison funds, for a real estate venture before it collapsed in 1989? example, wind up in the Clinton campaign treasury?

• Has the Clinton White House tried to influence the course of an ongoing federal investigation of the Madison

Republicans are maintaining a drumbeat of criticism and demanding hearings in Congress.

 Did Vincent Foster learn anything explosive about Madison or Whitewater before he killed himself last July? The questions raised publicly are so far speculative. But special independent investigator, requested by Mr. Clinton, is looking into all of this.

The investigator, Robert B. Fiske Jr., has already subpoenaed White House documents and called Clinton aides to testify before an investigative grand jury. He says the White House is cooperating. The grand jury will decide if there are grounds for criminal charges.

Q. What surfaced that raised all the questions? A. In the mid-1980s, federal banking regulators found Madison Guaranty's finances shaky and its management

In 1986, they forced Mr. McDougal out as Madison president. Three years later they declared Madison insolvent and took it over, charging Mr. McDougal with bank fraud. He was found not guilty. The U.S. Treasury now must pay around \$50 million to satisfy the claims of federally insured Madison depositors who lost money when the bank collapsed.

The independent U.S. agency overseeing nationwide

savings and loan bailouts, called the Resolution Trust al lawyer now reportedly sees the possibility of a further Corp., continued to investigate. The agency wanted to payment of back taxes, know whether any of the Madison losses could be recovered from people who contributed to the bank's demise or who benefitted from its questionable dealings.

It turns out that agency investigators found enough to warrant turning over their Madison inquiry to federal prosecutors for a criminal inquiry. They privately asked the herica Department to investigators and the herica Department to investigators. the Justice Department to investigate in late 1992 and again last June.

When news of the request emerged last October, critics and journalists went into high gear. A Justice Department team was dispatched to Arkansas in November.

Q. Was there any White House cover-up? A. Talk of a cover-up exploded last month when it was learned that over the past five months Treasury Department officials temporarily running the Resolution Trust Corp. held three separate meetings with Clinton aides. Many in Congress view these meetings as an improper contact between an investigating agency and a potential target of an investigation. The White House counsel, Bernard W. Nussbaum, was forced to resign when it was learned that he attended the meetings.

Various reports of document shredding in Arkansas have emerged, but none have been conclusive on whether the documents had anything to do with Whitewater or

Q. What does the president say in his defense? A. Mr. Clinton says be has done nothing wrong and will be completely vindicated. He says Republicans are whipping up "hysteria" to try to destroy him politically. His Whitewater investment was a bad decision made 16 years ago, he says, and he lost money. He says he had nothing whatever to do with Madison Guaranty.

The White House says the Clintons took no action to influence the federal investigation of Madison Guaranty. Mr. McDougal denies that any Madison money was funneled into the Clinton campaign and says the president has committed no crime.

In 1992, the Clintons paid a small sum in back taxes on Whitewater-related deductions, and the Clintons' person-

O. What is the role of Mrs. Clinton in all of this? A. She is feeling heat from Republicans and the press

because she apparently handled the family's Whitewater investment and for a short time provided legal counsel to Madison Guaranty, Madison used the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock, where Mrs. Chinton worked, for some of its legal work. In 1985, Mrs. Clinton, representing Madison, asked a state regulator appointed by her husband to approve a novel stock sale to bring fresh cash to Madison. The sale was approved but never took place.

In 1989, federal regulators wanted to sue the accounting firm used by Madison. Vincent Foster, also of Rose, solicited and won the contract for this legal work, but it is not clear whether he informed the government, as he should have, that Rose lawyers had previously represented Madison. The suit was handled by another Rose attorney, Webster Hubbell. Questions have been raised about whether Mr. Hubbell overbilled the government or other Rose clients. He resigned on Monday as associate attorney

Q. What happened to the Justice Department investiga tion of Madison?

A. Under pressure from Republicans, Mr. Clinton asked that the investigation be turned over to an independent prosecutor. Attorney General Janet Reno named Mr. Fiske in January.

Mr. Fiske, 63, is a New York Republican and former federal prosecutor with an unstained reputation. It is possible that he will eventually ask to interview the president and Mrs. Clinton.

Q. When will the Whitewater investigation be complet-

A. Mr. Fiske has not said, but he is moving quickly. It would seem unlikely that a final report would be issued before end of the year. Meanwhile, Republicans continue to press for hearings over the objections of Mr. Fiske and

intelligence and drug enforcement

officer he ever met and reviewing

the dozens of trips he took abroad

since his first overseas posting in

career," said David Holliday, a se-

nior staff member of the Senate

Select Committee on Intelligence from 1985 to 1991. "You have to

look at jobs he held, everybody he

talked to, everybody he had deal-

ings with. What information did he

have access to? What could be have

gotten that he didn't have access

The problem is that every-

body's covering their hindquarters.

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"You have to reconstruct Ames"

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should be discussing. I realize that's not possible now.

As all of you know, my former chief of staff has implicated me in a scandal involving the First Liberty

scandal, it's hard to talk about anything else. So fine,

-President Bill Mitchell opening a somber speech to Congress in the 1993 movie "Dave."

By Paul F. Horvitz

International Herald Tribune

Life, it seems, is imitating art. The president is Bill Clinton, not the fictitious Bill Mitchell. The savings and

loan is Madison Guaranty, not Liberty Savings. And it's

hard for some Americans to talk about anything else, even

though few of them know what the seeming scandal is

A. Politically, he is in big trouble. A growing number of Americans think he did something wrong or illegal in the so-called. Whitewater affair, but they're not sure what.

In short, it is open season on Bill Clinton's veracity,

even though critics can only speculate on what he might

have done. If the storm does not abate, Democrats may be

A. No evidence has yet emerged of unlawful acts by the

However, federal banking regulators looking into the

collapse of Madison Guaranty Savings & Loan in Arkan-sas have named the Clintons as possible beneficiaries of

questionable Madison transactions during the 1980s. A

Clintons, their conclusion does raise questions. In recent

While the regulators did not imply wrongdoing by the

former business partner of the Clintons' ran the bank.

hurt in the November congressional elections.

Q. But did the president do anything wrong?

So fine, let's talk about it.

Q. Is President Bill Clinton in trouble?

ing for every shred of new material.

president or his wife, Hillary.

Savings & Loan. Once people start talking about a

let's talk about it."

really about,

#### Packwood Gives Up Battle Over Diaries

WASHINGTON - Senator Bob Packwood has ended his legal challenge to the subpoena of his personal diaries by the Senate Select Committee on Ethics. The panel is investigating alleged sexual and official misconduct by the Oregon Republican. A federal court ordered Mr. Packwood to provide the panel with

the diaries, tapes and transcripts it subpoenaed last year. The senator's attempts to overturn the order failed.

The U.S. chief justice, William H. Rehnquist, earlier this month rejected the senator's request to postpone the transfer of the diaries to the committee pending a hearing on the merits of his appeal before the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Regardless of Mr. Packwood's decision to end the appeal, the Supreme Court's refusal to grant a stay meant that the digries were heading to the committee even if the constitutional appeal remained alive. Currently, a court-appointed independent arbiter is reviewing the diaries to delete personal material before the entries are given to the committee. Mr. Packwood had claimed the subpoena for the diaries violated

his Fourth Amendment right to privacy and his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination. But he said in a statement Monday: "Fortunately, in this country

we solve our disputes in court, rather than through armed revolution. While I am disappointed in, and disagree with the court's decision, I will nonetheless abide by it. However, it frightens me to think that the private thoughts,

hopes, dreams and despairs of all our citizens can now be seized by

the government."
The ethics committee is investigating allegations that Mr. Packwood made unwanted sexual advances or engaged in other sexual misconduct with former female employees and associates. (AP)

#### 'Prairie Populist' May Lead Democrats

WASHINGTON - Senator Thomas A. Daschle, a "prairie populist" who chugs around in a 1971 Pontiac when he goes home to South Dakota, is the early favorite to win election as Senate Democratic leader when Senator George J. Mitchell of Maine leaves at the

end of the year, analysts say.

An energetic inside player and Mitchell protege, the 46-year-old Senator Daschle is firmly in the Democratic mainstream and is popular with colleagues. He also benefits from the "small-state theory" of Senate leadership — that senators prefer leaders from states with little economic diversity, so they can be free to work on

Senators John B. Breaux of Louisiana and Harry M. Reid of Nevada also are contenders, but suffer from anti-abortion stances and more conservative philosophies.

A dark horse to watch: Senator Jim Sasser of Tennessee, the chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, a savvy, genial sort with a sharp political edge. Democrats will choose their new leader after the November congressional elections.

#### Perot Asks Doctors to Fund a Health Plan ATLANTA - Ross Perot has denounced President Bill Clinton's

health plan and urged the nation's doctors to mail him \$1,000 each to

help draw up a better one.

Mr. Perot promised to chip in \$1 million himself and said he would make health care his major concern. He said his new camwould make health care his major concern. He said his new cam-

paign, which he calls Put Patients First, would rely on doctors to shape a new plan and sell it to the public.

"You will have to be the Minutemen of health care," he told doctors at a convention of the American College of Cardiology.

Mr. Perot, who described his presentation Monday as his first major speech on health care, dismissed the administration plan, which is intended to hold down costs while providing medical insurance for everyone. He said it was too complicated and expen-

He held up a complicated organizational chart of the proposed Clinton program and said, "It is designed to fail."

Mr. Perot said the doctors' \$1,000 contributions would be spent largely on television time to promote the new plan. He was applauded warmly by several hundred heart specialists. At one point, he asked how many supported the administration proposal, and only a few hands went up.

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Senator John S. McCain 3d, Republican of Arizona, acknowledging in a CNN interview that there was a partisan edge to his party's attacks on President Bill Clinton over the Whitewater affair. The fact is that there is some partisanship here, and there is some payback for what was done to us for 12 years. But also the fact is that there is an obligation of the opposition to bring forward evidence and question the ruling party. The Republican Party is playing its proper, traditional role of opposition."



Mr. Clinton showing off a timely gift Monday in Detroit, where he was opening a G-7 conference.

## INOURY: First Lady Feels the Heat of the Spotlight

Continued from Page 1 tives are often open to question."
During President Bill Clinton's first year in office, his wife seemed to manage simultaneously to fill the traditional role of first lady and to expand that position far beyond the reach of almost any predecessor. Her public persona showed her blending both roles, fussing over White House menus even as she presided over plans to restructure

the nation's health care system. The recent sharp focus by the press in some ways reflects her increasing role as a public figure.
"If anything, it is nonsexist in

that the focus is not because she is a spouse but because she is such an important individual figure," said Senator Bob Graham, a Democrat of Florida, who urged the White House to have Mrs. Clinton answer questions about her role in Whitewater and other matters.

Close friends and associates said the scrutiny has created a difficult and painful period for the first lady, whom they describe as alter-nately angry and bewildered.

James Carville, a political advis-er, said: "She feels like she and the president have worked hard, that they've basically never been about making money, that they got into a thing that didn't go very well and all of a sudden people are trying to blow this thing up to compare it to Watergate or something."

One associate described her as being "a very vulnerable woman"

Questions about Whitewater, in which the Clintons claim to have lost \$69,000 - a figure that even the White House now says may be too high - multiplied in part because of Mrs. Clinton's role as a lawver for Madison Guaranty. Mr. McDougal has said he put the Rose

Law Firm on a \$2,000-a-month re- bers say Mrs. Clinton dislikes and tainer after Mr. Clinton stopped by distrusts the press more than her Madison's offices during a jog and husband does and that, when con-

Madison was seeking approval that effort In an interview last year, Mrs.

short of money.

said she did not share in Rose firm profits from state business and almost never did work before state officials appointed by her husband.

lead law firm.

In the White House, staff mem- she had to relent."

New York Times Service

study that helped change the way

breast cancer is treated. The study

concluded that full mastectomies

were not always necessary to pre-

vent the spread of early forms of

The implications of the investi-

gative finding for the treatment of

breast cancer are not immediately

clear. Cancer experts, moving to

reassure women, said there were

other studies that supported the

The University of Pittsburgh,

which was the organizing center of

the federally financed study, issued

a statement Sunday saying that the

conclusions of the studies remained

the same when the Canadian data

were excluded. Women treated "as

a result of this research can be

assured of the appropriateness of their therapy," Pittsburgh officials

In the federal investigation, first

reported Sunday in The Chicago

Tribune, officials found that the

Canadian researcher had enrolled

some women in at least one part of

the study who did not lit the crite-

ria for inclusion. It said about 16

percent of the patients in the study

came from the Montreal research

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WASHINGTON - A federal

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myestigation has found that a Ca-nadian researcher falsified data in a Food and Drug Administration study that belief change the way disclosed that in May 1991 the Ca-

complained that the family was troversy erupts, her instinct is to

As the Whitewater story began for a new financing plan, and Mrs. to reappear in the press last fall, she Clinton represented the thrift in firmly believed that neither she nor firmly believed that neither she nor her husband had done anything wrong, that they had already pro-Clinton described her legal work vided more financial information for Madison as "minimal." She during the campaign than previous vided more financial information presidential candidates, and that

was disclosure enough. She similarly opposed the appointment of a special counsel. On Sunday, Mr. McDongal said Even as the White House was acthe Rose firm had been hired pri- ceding to demands for an outside marily to do "the minutiae" of land investigator, Mrs. Clinton "was business and was not the thrift's more rejuctant than the others," a senior official said. "Eventually,

Cancer Study Used False Data

But Findings on Mastectomies Still Valid, Experts Assert

By Lawrence K. Altman of the resulting faulty data for two venting recurrences and in survival

subject publicly.
In addition to the finding of fal-

nadian researcher, Dr. Roger Pois-

son of St. Luc's Hospital in Mon-

treal, acknowledged that he had falsified results of other studies.

Those studies involved the drug

tamoxifen, which is used as a sup-

plement in treating breast cancer,

the document said. In a disciplin-

ary agreement, the FDA indefinite-

ly prohibited Dr. Poisson from tak-

ing part in studies involving

The study on breast surgery be-

ean more than a decade ago and its

findings were made public in 1989

in the New England Journal of

Medicine. It found that in many

women with early breast cancer a

partial mastectomy, which is also

called a lumpectomy, plus radia-

experimental drugs.

## That's Spy Talk for Cleaning Up After the Ames Affair

Colombia.

By Tim Weiner

WASHINGTON — The Central Intelligence Agency has suspended ernment officials said. gia. Turkey, Bulgaria and Roma-nia. He also traveled regularly to

Soviet counterintelligence branch chief, has forced the agency to reopen its files on hundreds of cases covering drug operations, a duplicitous defector and even the death of one of its own officers, they said. In scores of overseas stations and in its own corridors, the CIA is walking the cat back," spy argot for the difficult business of under-

steps, with these among them:

killing of one of its officers. • Contemplating the possibility that Mr. Ames sold information on

ternarcotics Center. Revisiting the mysterious defection and return of Vitali Yurchenko, a Soviet intelligence officer

Though "a thorough damage assessment" promised by the agency's director, R. James Woolsey Jr., has barely begun, it is already clear that the damage is extensive. As-sessing its depth may take years.

Feb. 20, is accused of working for Moscow since at least 1985 and of betraying at least 10 foreign agents working for the United States, officials said.

The detective work includes a reexamination of the killing last Au-

as the more distiguring procedure

of a full mastectomy.

The inquiry by federal agencies

followed an internal review by Dr. Bernard Fisher, the University of

Pittsburgh scientist who headed a

federally financed group that orga-

nized the study, involving more

than 5,000 doctors and 484 medical

centers. Dr. Poisson was one of

The investigation found at least

115 falsifications, and those false-

hoods have been known to the or-

ganizers of the study for two years.

In February 1993, Dr. Lyle W

Bivens, the acting chief of the Of-

fice of Research Integrity, wrote to

Dr. Samuel Broder, the head of the

National Cancer Institute, and rec-

ommended that Dr. Fisher publish

a re-analysis of the data, excluding

the falsified Canadian information.

"to restore public confidence in the

conclusions of the studies."

those participating.

## CIA Is 'Walking the Cat Back'

## gust of Fred Woodruff, a CIA offi- Ames learned and could have sold

His most recent duties at the

Reviewing his counternarcotics

activities, officials said, accounted

for only a small fraction of the

Inside the CIA, they said, hun-

internal investigations.

New York Times Service cer shot to death in the former to Moscow over the last decade, Soviet republic of Georgia in what scheduling interviews with every Georgian officials have said was a robbery attempt. Mr. Ames, gov-

some operations abroad, told many ernment officials said, traveled to clandestine operatives to lie low Georgia on assignment in July. and begun a microscopic review of some of the most difficult intelligence cases of the last decade as a Counternarcotics Center were occonsequence of the case against Al-drich Hazen Ames, the CIA officer with Russian intelligence officers accused of spying for Moscow, govand involved tracking the flow of heroin and cocaine through Geor-

The arrest of Mr. Ames, a former

standing a disaster and dealing with its aftermath. Officials said the agency must take numerous

 Reviewing the loyalties of scores of paid agents recruited from Russia and Eastern Europe. Renewing an inquiry into the

drug operations from his most recent posting, at the agency's Coun-

debriefed by Mr. Ames in 1985.

The Russian intelligence service, which is said to have paid Mr. Ames hundreds of thousands of dollars a year for his information, is unlikely to be much help.

Mr. Ames, who was arrested

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to restart peace talks between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization. Moscow is nominally a co-sponsor of the talks, but has played a negligible role. While in Tunis, Mr. Kozyrev said that the PLO chief, Yasser Arafat, was ready to return to talks.

but in fact the issue was still up in "Christopher suggested in a direct way that at this delicate point in diplomacy, there needs to be a common purpose," a State Department official said.

U.S. Urges

To Go Easy

In Mideast

By Daniel Williams

VLADIVÔSTOK, Russia

Secretary of State Warren M.

Christopher cautioned Russia's

foreign minister, Andrei V. Ko-zytev, on Monday against free-lance meddling in the Middle East peace process, U.S. officials said.

Mr. Christopher met Mr. Ko-

zyrev during a two-and-a-half hour stop in this Russian Far East port,

the last stop on a Pacific tour

through Australia, Japan and Chi-

na. Originally, Mr. Christopher

had asked to meet Mr. Kozyrev in

order to coordinate tactics on

Russians

At a joint press conference, Mr. Christopher emphasized the need for Moscow and Washington to keep in better touch.

saying that American diplomats had erred by consulting with government opponents about Chinese-Moscow surprised the Clinton administration last month by de-"I cannot but point out that it ciding to put troops into Sarajevo was the U.S. side that made the at the moment the North Atlantic Treaty Organization was poised to

lence their artillery, the interven-

tion raised alarm in Washington

over whether Russia was making its

Taking sides in the Middle East

situation - Moscow is a tradition-

Washington is trying to grapple with a more assertive Russian for-

eign policy. Russia has asserted a

right to intervene in neighboring

countries of the old Soviet Union, a

tivism to Moscow's effort to "assert !

The official said the United

States had "been very fortunate to have had a couple of years in which

our views seemed fully to be con-

"I think it's not at all surprising

its significance as a power."

cials fear.

carry out a threat to bomb Serbian artillery kept near the besieged Mr. Qian sounded a note of optimism on the central issue of Mr. Bosnian capital. Christopher's visit Although Russia helped per-"I believe trade between China suade the Serbs to withdraw or si-

and the United States will continue." he said. But he added that the final decitroops a shield for the Serbs.

ened tension before Mr. Christo-

a the prominent dissident Wei Jing-

sheng had led to a police crack-

down, news agencies reported from

Mr. Oian denied that Beijing had

blundered by harassing prominent

dissidents over the past two weeks,

He hinted that U.S. contact with

pher's visit.

U.S. relations.

sion on that question was entirely

#### al backer of the PLO -- might revive a kind of Cold War rivalry in the Middle East and encourage the Palestinians to hope that Russia will negotiate for them, U.S. offi-

what Beijing is really worried about," Miss Leung said.

President Jiang Zemin urged the People's Liberation Army to support economic reform

official news agency Xinhua said Monday. The army has been a key player in China's economic reform drive through its corporate arm, but its increasing economic muscle has

People's Congress that the PLA must stay true to its "sacred mission" of defending economic reforms and safeguarding political stability,

subordinating personal interests to the overall interests of the nation.

ideals, observing discipline, seeking unity and

have been some strains in the rela-

Xinhua said.

privilege Washington opposes. A U.S. official attributed Russian ac-

by working for the nation instead of itself, the also spawned widespread corruption, Bloom-

berg Business News reported.

Mr. Jiang told army delegates to the National

ASIA: Regional Rivals Fear That Beijing Seeks Control of South China Sea

armed clashes are a real risk.

Yeo Ning Hong, Singapore's de-

was a good sign that the Spratly

claimants had expressed their in-

tention to resolve differences

through negotiation and to consid-

Chong-Pin lin, associate director

of China studies at the American

Enterprise Institute in Washington, said that the rising political profile

of the Chinese armed forces would

ensure continued double-digit

growth for the defense budget and

continued upgrading of the country's military capability.

"Made increasingly confident by its military buildup," he said, "Beijing may adopt a more assertive

foreign policy even if it avoids the

use of force in the region.

er joint development of the area.

#### At the press conference, Mr. Kozyrev suggested that Russia had been feeling like a junior partner to the United States. But he defined

current relations as a "mature partnership" of equals. claim all of the islands while Ma-He struck a tough note on the Baltic states of Estonia and Latvia laysia, the Philippines and Brunei claim those that lie closest to their where Russia still maintains troop garrisons. Asked when they would be withdrawn, Mr. Kozyrev said it All but Brunei have stationed forces on the islands and reefs they would be only when the Baltic

states negotiated a "civilized withoccupy, and analysts say that drawi." Russia has insisted on protection for the rights of ethnic Russians in fense minister, said recently that it the two countries and has delayed a pullout. Washington has urged the Baltic states to accommodate Rus-

sia's concerns.
A semior official said Mr. Kocyrev assured Mr. Christopher on Monday that the troops would be withdrawn by the end of the year.

#### Yeltsin Begins 2-Week Rest at **Black Sea Port**

Reuters

MOSCOW — President Bo-ris N. Yeltsin, still weak after an illness but confident of calm in Russia, left Moscow on Monday for a two-week vacation at the Black Sea resort of Sochi.

"It is a scheduled holiday, expected to last a maximum of two weeks, but it could be cut shorter according to circum-stances," a spokesman for Mr. Yeltsin said.

The Interfax press agency quoted Mr. Yeltsin as saying before he left: "I can say that no explosions are expected in the country, so I am flying off

without any concern. The 63-year-old president said he still felt "some weakness" after two recent bouts of flu, but stressed that he would "rest and work" in Sochi, the agency reported. It added that a number of working meetings had been scheduled, including a discussion of the economic

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## Rice Crisis Steams Japanese How to Make the Foreign Stuff Taste Real?

By David E. Sanger
New York Times Service

OSAKA, Japan - The word rippled through this giant industrial city on Friday night, first through the back streets around the sprawling railroad station, then into the well-heeled suburbs. Be at Hankyu department store, everyone said, at 10 A.M. There will be a shipment of pure Japanese rice, only 2,000 kilograms but the real thing - no blending of grains from Thailand or California.

So, with the press declaring a national emergency at hand — the first serious rice shortage since the bleak days of the late 1940s — the line started forming at 6 in the morning in this city about 400 kilometers (250 miles) southwest of Tokyo. Twenty-three minutes after the doors opened, the entire shipment was gone, rationed out in 5-kilogram bags (about 11 pounds) to the first 400 customers.

"During the war it was like this," said Masako Aoki, a sprightly woman clutching the bag of rice she had just bought. For many, it recalled the days exactly 49 years ago last week when American B-29s were leveling Japan's biggest cities and inhabit-

ants picked through the devastation for food. "It is outrageous," Mrs. Aoki said. "It is the government's fault." This week, many in Japan forgot about trade negotiators telling President Bill Clinton where to put his numerical targets for imported car parts, or the threat of American sanctions, or the former

construction minister who was led off to jail the other night on corruption charges. In this land of dizzying consumer plenty, the lines for rice in every major city have wound along the sidewalks and down into the subways.

Things have gotten so bad that the Imperial

Palace announced the other day that starting this week, "with the consent of their majesties, the emperor and empress," royal meals will be served with rice grown in the United States, Thailand, and China. The symbolism resonated through the country. After all, the emperor ritually sows rice in his own paddy on the palace grounds each year, one of the most solemn religious ceremonies he performs as the country's chief Shinto priest.

No doubt the royal family is tuning in to the morning shows that explain how to cook foreign rice so it tastes home-grown. (Start off by soaking it longer.) For those still in deep distress, there is the rice hot line, run by the Tokyo metropolitan government, which offers a mix of recipes and

By Eric Pace

New York Times Service

94, a British biologist who did pio-

neering studies of the physiology of insects, died Feb. 12 in Cambridge, England. He lived in Cambridge

and in Lavenham in Suffolk Coun-

Sir Vincent, who was knighted in

1964, was reader in entomology at Cambridge University from 1945

to 1952; Quick professor of biology there from 1952 to 1966, when he

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Sir Vincent Brian Wigglesworth,

counseling for those deprived of Japonicus, the species of sticky, short-grain rice that consumers have been told is inseparable from the national

Newspapers are filled with Indian- and Thaistyle recipes, hoping they will appeal to younger readers who have traveled abroad. More likely, though, younger Japanese will try another tack, eating something else. It is no accident that Osaka's rice lines are filled with older Japanese, and its McDonald's and American-style diners with younger. The reality is in the numbers. In 1962, the salad days of rice, per capita consumption was about 120 kilograms a year, in 1992, the last year for which figures are available, the figure was 65

With the market shrinking, the government has for years mounted a campaign against foreign rice, intended to justify its decades-long total ban on rice imports. The breach finally came in December, when the government was forced to agree to

limited imports under a global trade agreement. But by that time, Japan's ports were filling up with emergency shipments of rice from Thailand, brought in to ease the shortage that followed last year's disastrous harvest. Since then, television news programs have shown almost nightly seg-ments detailing how mold or dead mice were found in some bales. Such images have fueled the national belief that the only safe rice is Japanese rice. In recent polls, about half of Japanese consumers say they will not buy foreign rice of any kind.

This week, they will have no choice. To conserve the nation's dwindling supplies, the Japanese cabi-net has ordered that distributors mix domestic rice with at least 20 percent foreign rice, so consumers

will not be able to pick and choose. That decision has only worsened the public outrage. Now, in one of the great political role reversals of recent times, Eijiro Hata, the minister of agriculture, forestry, and fisheries, has stopped denouncing the dangers of foreign rice and begun taking the news media to supermarkets where they

watch him eat it. "This does not taste familiar, but I don't feel any resistance to it," he said last week, in something

less than a ringing endorsement. market has expanded, with 10 kilograms selling for

He was particularly noted for his research, beginning years before World War II, into insect hor-

mones and the role they play in reproduction, growth and physical

transformations, such as from the

The Times of London recently

called him "the acknowledged world authority" on insect hor-

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put it, his findings concerning in-sect hormones pointed the way

toward similar phenomena in other

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His next work, "The Principles of

Insect Physiology," came out in 1939 and has also been highly

Ganri Yamashita, 73, a former Japanese minister for defense and a

protège of the late Prime Minister

Kakuei Tanaka, died of heart fail-

Damy Barker, 85, a champion of

the banjo and a virtuoso guitarist

whose career spanned 60 years with

jazz giants of all eras, died of can-

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V.B. Wigglesworth, Biologist, Dies

counting for and releasing political prisoners, he said that the U.S. betan political prisoners, he said.

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topher and Mr. Qian was much

more detailed and less polemical

than those of the previous two

days. Even Mr. Qian acknowledged

that the previous meetings had been filled with "epistemology and

philosophy," a senior U.S. State

Specifically, Mr. Christopher

ing his trip.
On the most sensitive issue, ac-

Department official said.

The assistant U.S. secretary of

owned industries face joblessness.
Two documents released last week by leading

dissidents illustrate how labor rights militancy

has emerged as a political phenomenon in the

rights activism can be seen only a serious threat. In the round-up of dissidents that preceded negotiations, many of those detained had close links to campaigns seeking to protect Chinese

workers from the excesses of capitalism. "At first we didn't understand why China

They were a petition urging China's legisla- Chinese labor issues, said of the arrests. "It appears now that horizontal linkages be-

would deliberately provoke the U.S.," Trini

in January, which effectively deval-ued the Chinese yuan by 33 percent on Beijing's agenda in the South

#### reigned as Mardi Gras king on Jan. ture, the National People's Congress, to protect the rights of rural and urban workers, and a tween labor activists around the country are John Caspar Dreier, 87, a retired U.S. diplomat and Johns Hopkins University professor of Latin

American studies, died of conges-tive heart failure Thursday in Cam-bridge, Massachusetts. Melvin Gough, 87, a test pilot. engineer and inventor who helped promote aircraft safety and led the investigation into New York City's worst aviation disaster, died of cancer Sunday in Melbourne Beach,

Major General Walter Morland Hutton, 81, chief of staff of Jor-dan's Arab Legion from 1953 to 1956 under General Sir John Glubb, died March 5 in Cornwall,

Florida.

Hubbell matter.

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interests. Reflecting the influence of the armed forces in China, the official budget for 1994 unveiled in er, say they believe the true figure Beijing on Friday, gave the military for China's military spending is a 22 percent increase over last year, much higher than the published increasing planned expenditure amount as the 3 million-member

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from just over 52 billion yuan (\$5.9 billion) from nearly 43 billion yuan

Despite the rise, the military the modernization program. budget is still lower in dollar terms this year because of China's unification of currency exchange rates

## AIDE: The Latest Blow to Clinton

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The case involved a lawsuit by the government against the accoun-tants for the failed Madison Guarprivate individual's problems that arose prior to his government ser-vice, problems with his prior law anty Savings & Loan. According to news accounts, Mr. Hubbell han-Two separate questions of overdled the case although his fatherbilling clients have emerged in the in-law was an officer of a Madison

In perhaps the more damaging one, the Resolution Trust Corp. a federal agency overseeing the ballout of failed savings and loans, is reportedly reviewing Mr. Hubbell's also looking bills in cases where he represented Mrs. Clim Madison itself is under investiga-Mrs. Clinton benefited financially The Associated Press reported

Monday that Rose apparently was paid twice for the same legal work done for the government during the late 1980s. The government may they made in 1978. have overpaid Rose by as much as \$30,000. Mr. Hubbell was the lead

He said that with China's running short of oil to fuel its rapid growth and industrialization, eco-

tion by a special prosecutor, who is also looking into whether Mr. or from improper Madison transac-

subsidiary and had defaulted on more than \$500,000 in loans from

According to recent news ac-counts in The Washington Post and The Wall Street Journal, the Rose attorney in the case.

According to the AP report, the government cannot find key documents, and one official was quoted much as \$1 million in expenses and unbilled hours in another case.

#### Michael D. Eisner, chairman of the American parent, called the restructuring plan "fair and economically sensible" and said the accord

to raise 6 billion francs in new capital, 49 percent of which would be subscribed to by Disney. The remainder would be underwritten by the banks, so that if current shareholders refused to buy into the offering, the banks would have to acquire the shares themselves.
In addition, Disney agreed to forgo license and management fees for five years, and accept lower fees

 Will let Euro Disney delay a 1 billion franc payment for development work that the American company performed to plan the resort's second phase, which was to include a second amusement park with a Payment will not be due until that development is built.

• Agreed to pay 1.4 billion francs to Euro Disney to acquire unnamed park and hotel assets that it would lease back "on terms favorable" to Euro Disney.

payments for three years.

and it is proportioned to the stakes of the different parties," said Baulowing five years.

This concession, analysts said, is likely to cost Disney well over 2 douin Prot, associate managing director of Banque Nationale de Parlis, or BNP, and spokesman for the bank steering committee.

But analysts said the accord Offered the park a 1.1 billion would be "very swallowable" by franc credit line over the next 10 the banks because it would require years, on top of 1 billion francs that little if any loss provisioning. Un-

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## **DISNEY:** Banks and Parent Set Refinancing Accord

Although China is the world's

fifth-largest oil producer, surging

demand and stagnant domestic

output is set to make the country a

net importer of crude oil this year

for the first time in three decades,

according to a recent study.
Official Chinese maps show Beij-

ing's claims over the South China

Sea, and the seabed oil and gas

reserves in the area, reaching to within 48 kilometers (30 miles) of

the coasts of Vietnam, Malaysia,

All of Vietnam's offshore petro-

leum fields are covered by China's claim. Officials in Hanoi plan to

increase Vietnamese offshore pro-

duction to 148 million barrels of oil

by the end of the decade, from

nearly 53 million barrels this year. The Spratly Islands, which hold

the key to control of surrounding

offshore resources, are a major

point of potential conflict in the

China, Vietnam and Taiwan

the Philippines and Brunei.

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against major currencies.

Many Western analysts, howev-

armed forces can draw on other

budget items and their own profit-

making enterprises to help pay for

Chinese forces seized the Paracel

Islands in the northern part of the

South China Sea from Vietnam in

1974. They established a foothold

in the disputed Spratly Islands, in

the southern sector of the sea, when

they captured several Vietnamese-

Beijing's ultimate strategic ob-

jective is to "convert the entire

South China Sea into a Chinese

lake," said B. A. Hamzah, director-

general of the Malaysian Institute

of Maritime Affairs in Kuala Lum-

occupied atolls in 1988.

individually, the deal needs to win approval from all of the lenders, which currently hold IOUs from Euro Disney valued at 16 billion

would ensure a sound linancial ba-sis for the park. "We are extremely confident in the park and its fu-ture." he said.

The accord calls for a rights issue

than originally agreed over the fol-Further, Disney:

movie studio theme. This phase has been pushed back, likely until viability is proved on the first phase.

The banks, in addition to underwriting the rights issue, agreed to give up 1.6 billion francs in interest payments and to defer principal

This plan rests on shared efforts

it advanced to fund operations over the past several months.

der most models for an eventual accord, the big French banks would have had to write off large

amounts in a debt-for-equity swap,

which would have proven embar-

rassing, in particular, for BNP, which was just privatized. Current shareholders will bear a good measure of pain, but not as much as earlier thought. Analysts said their holdings would be diluted by about 50 percent by the new share offering.

Bondholders will not be affected by the restructuring plan. Bank of-ficials said they feared that any attempt to change the terms for bondholders would delay, if not sabotage, the negotiations.

In announcing the deal to share-holders, Euro Disneyland management offered a note of optimism. although the company's annual report, distributed at the meeting, was glum.

"It is a great relief," said Philippe Bourguignon, chairman of Euro Disney, who only last No-vember had to announce losses of 5.3 billion francs during the theme park's first full fiscal year. "We are delighted. The deep restructuring will put Euro Disney on a solid basis."

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situation with Prime Minister Viktor S. Chernomyrdin. previous vacations, it was not made public in advance. He is in charge while away from Moscow and hands over no special powers to any depu-

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Throughout the three days of topher that they would investigate talks, Chinese officials rejected Mr. reports of jamming of the Voice of mistake," he said at a news confer-Christopher's demand that they team had received "a great deal of America and within a few weeks information" on the 235 specific would begin technical talks with cases first presented to the Chinese representatives of the International improve their human rights performance as interference in their internal affairs. They also said that stripping China of its trade privilast fall. And for the first time, the Committee of the Red Cross on Chinese have pledged to provide how to open Chinese prisons to eges would backfire. detailed information about 106 Ti- outside inspection. Although the documents on the ■ China Blames the U.S. political prisoners may yield imstate for human rights and humani-tarian affairs, John Shattuck, said the rest of the concessions were Foreign Minister Qian blamed CHINA: Beijing Fears the Appearance of a Militant Labor Movement founding charter of private group pledged to Continued from Page 1 those same goals. many of China's most formidable dissidents is The documents call for the restoration of the being heard across a country where the "iron rice bowl," cradle-to-grave welfare benefits and right to strike and the legalization of independent workers' and peasants' labor unions. a job for life, is being smashed and as many as 150 million impoverished, often desperate peas-To a government that used labor unions to help topple the rival Nationalist Party before it ants are migrating in search of work. fled to Taiwan in 1949 and then consolidate a The ranks of the economically disaffected are hold on power over the past four decades, labor stirred by calls to change a system in which China's ruling Communist Party concedes that corruption is out of control, that 60,000 workers were killed last year on the job, and that up Mr. Christopher's visit to Beijing and soured to one-third of the work force in the giant state-

Secretary of State Christopher and Foreign Minister Kozyrev exchanging greetings at the Vladivostok airport on Monday.

the information provided, but that

it appeared to be "definitely more

oral agreement, reached in princi-

ple when Treasury Secretary Lloyd

Bentsen visited Beijing in January,

to reopen Chinese prisons to Amer-

ican customs officers to ensure that

The Chinese also told Mr. Chris-

The two sides also codified an

than we had before."

noted "developments" taken by the their factories were not making Chinese on a number of fronts durproducts for export to the United

TOUR: Christopher Makes Little Progress With China on Human Rights

that the Clinton administration extremely vague. More significant would have to carefully evaluate was what the Chinese did not give

Mr. Christopher.

They did not reach a concrete agreement that would end the jam-

ming of Voice of America broad-

casts into China. They did not re-

lease ailing prisoners for medical

treatment as requested repeatedly

by the Clinton administration.

They did not formally state their

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travel a lot, mobility will be very important. For those who usually work at a desk in one location, a big screen might be more desirable. There won't be just one type of portable computer. Of course, for Toshiba this is already true. In Europe and North America, we focus exclusively on offering portable computers, so we have a complete

for different people. For those who

best suits their needs. Toshiba is producing portable computers in Europe, North America and Japan, and there are sales organisations in just about every country of the world. Can you explain Toshiba's portable-computer

range of products, allowing customers

to choose the portable computer that

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and customer service are unmatched

How has Toshiba managed to

maintain its leading-edge position

regarding technology, even as oth-

er computers makers have come

Our mission is to think about the fu-

ture. When we introduced the first lap-

top, for example, we were already

thinking about what the computing

needs of users would be in five years'

We recognised that for computers to

become truly personal, people, espe-

cially those who travel, would need ei-

ther several computers in different

places or one computer they could eas-

We decided the ideal computer of the

1990s would be just the sort of sub-

notebook we have just released. And

leader in key components, including

colour TFT LCDs, hard-disk drives

and lithium-ion rechargeable batteries.

future, of course. We stay at the lead-

ing edge by envisaging ideal products

and carrying out the development to

With your focus on the future,

Portable computers will continue to

get lighter and smaller, of course.

Many users are now replacing their

desktop computers with portable com-

puters because they increasingly get all

the features they need and want in

compact machines that do not take up

At the same time, more functions,

such as multimedia capabilities, will be

incorporated into smaller computers.

What you will see is a greater range of

portable computers, varying in size and

capabilities to suit the different needs

How will Toshiba differentiate its

It is important that we introduce

products that fit the market. Being first

in the market with new technology has

been and will continue to be important.

been becoming even more important.

The personal computer is still said to

be difficult for beginners to use. Soft-

ware firms have recently been concen-

trating on making software easier to

We think it is our job to make the

hardware easier to use. This will be in-

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tion of multimedia functions makes

And just as Toshiba created the

portable personal-computer market,

we want to further expand the market,

introducing multimedia functions into

We also want to develop the kind of

personal computer that supplements

human abilities. One concept in devel-

oping future portable computers is to

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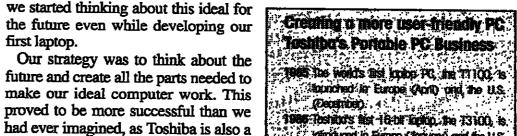
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The European personal computer market is served by Toshiba Europa's Regensburg Plant in

Germany. The facility started production in 1990 and now produces PCs and their printed



in Europe (Ibriusy) and the U.S. The J-8100 is branched in Japon (October). In the U.S., PC Mogazine awards the T3700 the tille of "the King of the Laptop" - one of

more than 100 awards received by Toshiba portable PCs in Japan and overseas. 1987 Overseos production of POs starts in Injune. California (July):

1989 Toshibo's notebook computer debuts in Japan (June), Europe and the U.S.

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The needs of personal computer users are different in every country. We think of the portable computer as a kind of fresh food that has to be delivered to users as soon as possible after its development. And, of course, it must reflect their changing tastes.

This makes production near the market very important. Since requirements are different in each country, it is better to produce the products close to the

Our production system is based on having minimum inventory. We make and sell what each market wants as the needs of that market change. Finally, automation of the production process will advance even as personal computers become smaller. In the end, manufacturers will have to choose between manufacturing where they are close to the market or where labour is cheaper. We are choosing the former, but we are maintaining our flexibility. If it proves more efficient to produce some products in other countries, we will do so.

This strategy extends to sales. In Europe, we have our PC business headquarters in Germany, and marketing strategy is formulated in each of the countries where we operate.

#### Aside from the T3400 series. what other products can we see at Toshiba's CeBIT exhibit?

We will show some of our recently released new products. We will also be showing our most powerful portable computer yet, the T4800CT, incorporating Intel's 75MHz DX4 processor. We are sure that will attract a great deal of interest. We value CeBIT very much. It is an ideal forum for explaining our concept of portable computer development. We all look forward to sharing that with the people who visit us in Hall 6.

## VIEWS FROM THE BOARDROOM

## Technological Vision Keeps Toshiba at the Leading Edge

Toshiba Corporation pioneered the development of the portable computer in the mid-1980s and continues to be one of the industry's leading innovators.

oshiba's latest offering, the T3400 subnotebook series, is winning praise from analysts and computer users alike, and will be a centrepiece of Toshiba's exhibit at CeBIT '94, which opens in Hannover on March 16.

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In the following interview with Dennis Normile, a free-lance writer based in Tokyo who often writes about technology, a team of Toshiba engineers explains how a continuously evolving vision of future possibilities keeps the company on the cutting edge.

Dennis Normile: Toshiba's new T3400 series promises to be one of the highlights of this year's CeBIT

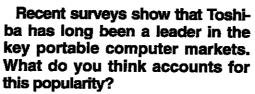
One of the most innovative features is the replacement of a mouse with an isometric pointing stick, which is nestled between the G, H and B keys, with programmable click-and-drag buttons mounted in the centre of the palm rest below the keyboard. The user can control cursor movements very precisely, accurately dragging and pointing without having to change hand position.

Toshiba's portable computers first met the test of customer approval in the European market, didn't thev?

That's right. Our T1100, released in 1985, was the first truly portable computer, and it was released first in Eunew and brilliant. We first thought about what a future portable computer should be like, and then started development.

We researched the market, travelling the world and asking computer users what they wanted in a computer, what they found useful, what they liked and didn't like about the computers they were using. We heard that desktop computers were too big; people wanted something more compact and pow-

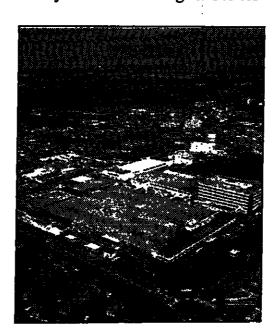
From this market research, we started looking at Toshiba's technological strengths, wondering where we could best match our skills to the needs of the market. We decided that with our know-how in developing and manufacturing miniaturised precision components, we could develop a personal computer that could be used on a desk but would still be compact and light enough for the user to carry around easily. This notion gave birth to the laptop computer. And markets eagerly responded to the laptop and to succeeding generations of portable com-



First of all, the portable computer market is very technology-driven. We strive to introduce the most advanced technologies and realise smaller, lighter portable computers.

Secondly, we always adopt industry standards. One example is our use of standard PCMCIA expansion slots. Some of our competitors chose proprietary expansion slots. We opted for the industry standard for the benefit of our customers. With this PCMCIA standard, customers can use expansion cards developed by companies other than Toshiba. This is good for our customers and also provides an incentive for third-party vendors to create new cards that can be used in Toshiba computers.

Thirdly, we offer a wide range of portable computers at prices to suit a variety of needs and budgets. Our cur-



Toshiba's Ome Works in Japan, a highly advanced facility for production of computers.

rent lineup includes the T1910 and T1950 series, which offer maximum

Finally, Toshiba's quality, reliability



The iding-partable submittebook PCs in the 13400 series were unveiled

in late 1993. Industry first technologies include the first TFT color display in a subcompact PC

show. Why are these computers attracting so much attention? Toshiba: The series represents the next generation in ultra-portable computing. It is a subnotebook with the functions and capabilities of a desktop, thanks to the incorporation of several industry firsts. The T3400CT is the first subnotebook with a colour thin-film-transistor-active matrix LCD. This display brings the colour, clarity and detail of desktop monitors to subnotebook-class computers. It is also the first subnotebook to have a local bus video graphics accelerator to enhance the performance of Windows. And it is the first and only portable computer to use a lithium-ion battery, which allows a much longer operating time, meeting one of the major demands of businesspeople who travel with portable computers.

Of course, the T3400 series also features the computing power of Intel's SL Enhanced 486SX, operating at 33MHz. It also has a 120-megabyte hard disk and a PCMCIA slot for ex-

pandability. The colour model is just 251mm wide, 46mm high and 201mm deep, and weighs just over two kilograms.

In addition to its technical capabilities, the T3400 series also represents a new approach to the design of portable computers.

## Could you describe the design

Toshiba has earned recognition from both customers and critics for its attention to both ergonomics and appearance in the design of its portable computers. Several important innovations were added to the T3400 series.

rope, becoming quite a hit. That was the foundation on which we built our line of portable computers.

At that time, portables had only limited capabilities, but we recognized the need for more advanced desktop features to be incorporated into portables. The first 16-bit portable computer was the T3100 laptop series, launched in 1986. This was also introduced first in Europe and then later in the United States and Japan.

In 1989, the transition from the laptop to the notebook began. Toshiba was the first computer maker to incorporate a 2.5-inch hard-disk drive in a notebook.

Since then, there has been a steady progression, upgrading the CPUs to give our notebook computers the same capabilities as desktops.

At the same time that we were developing successive generations of portable computers, we were also establishing sales and service networks throughout Europe. Most of the computers we sell throughout Europe are made in our factory in Regensburg, Germany. We believe this kind of approach is central to meeting the needs of our European customers.

#### Why did Toshiba decide to concentrate on developing portable computers?

Our aim was to develop something

price performance; the high-performance T4700 and T4800 series; the ultra-portable T3400 series; and the mobile multimedia portable computer

In Touch with Tomorrow TOSHIBA

## The Struggle Over Ukraine

**Too Many Empty Chairs** 

Ukraine is an independent country, though many Russians are reluctant to recognize that fact. Hard-line remnants of Russia's military and KGB are eager to recapture it. Their strategy is to stir up civil unrest, beginning in Crimea, which is part of Ukraine. By undermining Ukraine's territorial integrity, hard-liners hope

to destroy the republic's independence.

That strategy could lead to civil war and could erode the power of Boris Yeltsin and his fellow reformers in Russia. Obviously, they cannot afford to play along. Obviously, too, Washington needs to help them.

Ukraine has a tenuous hold on Crimea. The Soviet Union ceded it from Russia in 1954. But its population is mostly Russian; many residents are retirees from the Black Sea navy.

Events in Crimea look ominously like the divide-and-conquer strategy Russia's hardliners followed in Moldova and Georgia, where Russian secessionists, with the complicity of renegades in the military and KGB. declared independence and called on Russia to protect them.

Last month, Crimea elected Yuri Meshkov president. Mr. Meshkov, an ethnic Russian and former KGB border guard, won overwhelming support from fellow ethnic Russians in a campaign managed by a reputed covert operative from Moscow, after which he appointed a citizen of Russia prime minister. He will soon call for a referendum on Crimean independence and could then call on Russia's army to protect Crimea.

Meanwhile, the breakaway threat in Crimea has energized rabid Ukrainian nationalists, who fear a broader plot to split off eastern Ukraine, with its large Russian population. Most Russians in Ukraine voted for its independence in 1991 - many in the belief

Last week, a U.S. administration that has

been in office for 14 months leaked word that

it finally had the candidates to fill the Equal

Employment Opportunity Commission -

and they are still being vetted. Top posts at

the Defense and Justice departments went

vacant for months. Inspector-general jobs in

several agencies are still empty. The National

Labor Relations Board came close to dysfunc-

tion because of empty chairs. Some ambassa-

dorial posts were recklessly left empty to the

consternation of foreign governments. Poten-

tial nominees were left dangling for months. A

study by the nonpartisan Congressional Re-search Service found that at Christmas time,

27 percent of the top positions in the executive

departments were still awaiting nominations.

At the independent agencies, the vacancy rate

for jobs filled by the president was 39 percent.

inexperienced, understaffed and at times in-

competent personnel office run by people

who do not understand either the nature of

the jobs being filled or the qualifications required of those who would fill them. Others

point to new-age cronyism: not your stereotypical Boss Tweed's nephew-type figure in-stalled mainly as a paycheck collector, but

rather a range of college pals and other asso-ciates of the Clintons and those close to them

who are stashed in offices for which they are

There is truth to both these impressions and

also to the charge that the president and Hillary Rodham Clinton and the worker bees

in the White House personnel office have

become overly involved in the vetting process,

all the way down the hierarchies of the various

A certain amount of back and forth be-

tween the White House and cabinet secretar-

ies on appointments is inevitable: The presi-

dent needs loyal people in the agencies, and

cabinet secretaries sometimes propose clunk-

ers. But there is a real history here of the thing

working the other way around: worthy, quali-

fied would-be nominees being sidetracked for less-qualified pals. Certain nominees seemed

to require the approval of six or eight different

far from the best choices available.

cabinet departments.

What is the problem here? Some say it is an

that it would be more prosperous than Russia. Kiev's economic mismanagement is giving them second thoughts.

Some still think of themselves as Soviet citizens; others share regional rather than ethnic identities. But about a quarter have married ethnic Ukrainians and speak Ukrainian. And many Russians in Ukraine do think it a separate country.

That is not true in Russia, where few Russians, even reformers, have reconciled themselves to Ukrainian independence.

That strengthens ultranationalists who desire to regain Ukraine, or at least the part where Russians predominate. But controlling Ukraine would require an army of occupation far larger than the one driven out of Afghanistan. Raising such an army would sap Russia's resources, and a functioning draft could not be restored without force. This step could not be taken without wrecking reform and restoring the old order in Russia. That is exactly what the empire rebuilders want to do, and why Mr. Yetisin and his reformers would be wrong to

cooperate with them on Ukraine. Washington may be able to help. It can try to mediate disputes. It can encourage the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe to assure minority rights on both sides of the border. It can encourage Ukraine and Russia to undertake joint economic development in heavily Russified eastern Ukraine and nearby Russia. And it can channel U.S. aid for that purpose.

In short, the United States can try to get Ukrainians and Russians to concentrate on economic improvement, not ethnic identity, and give them every opportunity to better their common lot in life.

White House staff members, some of whom

were hardly qualified to have an opinion -

In and out of the White House, the delays

are often attributed to the administration's efforts to create a government that is regionally diverse and includes a large number of

women and members of traditionally exclud-

ed minority groups. Fairness and diversity are

worthy goals. But the administration has made affirmative action even more complicat-

ed than it had to. Agencies, especially early

on, were expected to come up with whole

If a potential nominee who was, say, an

African-American or a woman or a Southern-

er decided later not to take a job, the whole

slate of which he or she was part might be

rejected or juggled considerably. This was

ridiculously time consuming, leaving essential

jobs for which there were suitable prospective

nominees unfilled. The administration also

has used up valuable time in slow-motion

brokering among various interest groups and Democratic members of Congress who saw a chance to put their stamp on government

appointments for the first time in 12 years. It is true that there are procedures the

administration does not control — the seem-

fill out. Every minor scandal, it seems, pro-

duces a new list of queries, a new set of

worries. The purpose of vetting is to prevent

crooks and spies from getting high govern-

ment jobs. But this looks more like investiga-

tion for investigation's sake. And the adminis-

top jobs Mr. Clinton will fill, nominations still

that will take. Delays breed further delays,

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

chairs make rotten policy.

tration's term is more than a quarter over.

"slates" for top posts.

and, of course, of the president himself.

— THE NEW YORK TIMES.

## A Modest, Fragile, Partial Success, but Still a Success

PARIS — President Bill Clinton at last has a significant foreign policy success. It is fragile, but real. The U.S. decision to push NATO into Bosnian intervention has lifted the siege of Sarajevo and been followed by a successful American diplomatic effort to bring the Croatian and Bosnian governments to form a federation. This agreement is sched-uled for signature in Washington within the

The futile Owen-Stoltenberg negotiations were brushed aside by American diplomats, a rebuke to Europe's disunity on the Yugoslav issue and also a demonstration of how badly the program for Europe's political and securi-ty unification has gone wrong. It demonstrat-ed that in a matter like this, without the United States, "Europe" for practical purposes is impotent.

This American-sponsored agreement re-verses the European Union's effort to end the Yugoslav war through an ever more detailed ethnic partition of Yugoslavia, meant to pre-empt through political negotiations what Serbia and Croatia were already accomplishing by war and "ethnic cleansing

At Geneva, all of Bosnia-Herzegovina was being chopped into smaller and smaller ethnic entities in what amounted to a reductio ad absurdum of the disastrous idea of universal ethnic self-determination. Under the American-sponsored plan, Croats and Bosnians will collaborate on a limited number of issues at a federal level, while governing themselves otherwise on a cantonal basis.

It is a politically fragile agreement that the Croatian leader, Franjo Tudjman, has agreed to only under heavy German as well as American pressure, and because he has the wit to grasp that Croatia has no future as a European outlaw state — the direction in which it was headed. He sees that membership in the Council of Europe, and collaboration with the European Union and NATO.

By William Pfaff

with World Bank loans to follow, is the only intelligent way to go.

The eventual fate of this agreement for Bosnian-Croatian federation will depend on what the Bosnian Serbs do, and that depends on what the Serbian and Russian govern-

ments tell them they must do.

Thus far, Russia's role has been one of generally constructive collaboration with the Western powers. The Serbs have found their fantasies of omnipotence unfulfilled, and their proclaimed conviction that Russia would support them against all the world

unwarranted. There is thus a slender reason to think that the war may be brought to an end, or at least to an enduring armistice. Several conclusions emerge from the consideration of how this has happened.

The first is that force works and, in some

circumstances, is essential. The use of force has transformed the political climate sur-rounding Yugoslavia. The present American military doctrine of acting only with an irresistible and overwhelming commitment to total victory has been shown to be a misapplication of the lesson of past wars. In practice, this proves an obstacle to the politically useful employment of limited force.

There obviously are cases where limited

force may prove insufficient and where po-litical as well as military considerations pre-clude a larger application of force. That is not, as often made out in the debate over Yugoslav policy, a reason for no use of force at all. It is a practical issue that has to be assessed case by case.

In Yugoslavia, there is reason to think that a limited foreign intervention to punish the initial aggressions and bring the parties to negotiations could have succeeded. On the other hand, a massive intervention to impose a solution was out of the question. In the event, the European powers' well-intentioned humanitarian intervention merely facilitated all sides' waging of total war.

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The most important lesson of the last month has been the demonstration that "the West" is incapable of acting without the United States. This does not follow from the U.S. advantage in military and material power. In purely economic and industrial terms, Europe is stronger. Western Europe has simply demonstrated its inability, as "Europe," to conduct a foreign policy. Once again we see that coalitions do not have foreign policies; nations do.

Even when a European government takes an individual initiative despite the hesitations of its allies, as France did at the beginning of February by demanding that NATO lift the Sarajevo siege, there are results only when the United States also acts. In terms of practical politics, there is no reason today to expect this

situation to change.

The United States is the only superpower today because the Europeans have made it so. But Bill Clinton's United States remains a reluctant superpower, and its Balkan successes are more likely to disquiet the American public than reassure it. The situation is one of continuing and dangerous Western uncertainties.

International Herald Tribune C Los Angeles Times Syndicate.



## Australia Is Becoming More Asian, but Also 'More of Itself'

YDNEY — When Lyndon John-By Anthony Lewis

son was struggling in the quagmire of Vietnam, he took comfort from his favorite ally in the war: Australia. Australian troops were there from 1966 to 1972, almost to the final American withdrawal.

Next month Prime Minister Paul Keating of Australia will fly to Hanoi. His visit is a symbol of the most important trend in this country. Australia is intent on finding a place for itself in Asia. And part of that is a greater willingness to differ with the United States. American secretaries of state used

to visit Canberra and bask in the warmth of agreement and respect. But that was not what Warren Christopher encountered when he was there the other day, on his way to China The Australian foreign minister,

Senator Gareth Evans, told him bluntly that Australia disagreed with President Bill Clinton's invoca-

tion of the threat of trade sanctions against Japan. That was managed trade, he said, not multilateral free trade. If it had any effect, it would simply lead to a preference for

American goods in Japan — and burt Australia and others. The government and Australian commentators were equally critical of the Clinton administration's pressure on China to improve its human rights record by June or lose its most-favored-nation trade status.

Mr. Evans told the press after two days of meetings with Mr. Christopher that a U.S. withdrawal of China's favored-nation status would have "a very adverse impact" on the economy of all Asia. He said it would be especially devastating for Hong Kong but would also

The sharp disagreement on trade policy - and on what Australia sees as rough American tactics - illustrates the change in relationship with the United States. It is a change both

political and psychological.

When the British colonies on this island-continent came together as Australia in 1901, the new country remained resolutely British - with a colonial inferiority complex. The Australian writer Thomas

Keneally (author of, among other books, "Schindler's Ark," on which the movie "Schindler's List" is based) remarked recently that Australian culture and society had to recover "from a sense of exile."

After World War II the ties with Britain frayed, no doubt inevitably because of distance and the end of empire. America replaced Britain as the powerful friend, a relationship formalized in the ANZUS Treaty.

Australia's eager support of American policy in Vietnam showed the closeness of the relationship — and probably marked its high point. For Australia, like most developed countries, has come to see the great issues and potential conflicts in the world as economic rather than military. And Australia's neighbors in

Asia are the fastest growing in the

world economy.

Until as recently as 25 years ago Australia was formally committed to not being Asian. That was the import of its White Australia policy, barring Asian immigrants. Since the repeal of that law, a flow of Asians has gradually developed. They now make up 4 percent of the population. A Sydney taxi driver said he came from Canton

seven years ago "to do better." Echoes of America remain. A visiting American has a certain feeling of deià vu: of familiar issues and trends. Australia's old reputation was as one of the most macho cultures on earth. But the country has a strong women's movement now, and two

women are even moving toward the

There is a sensitivity about gender in language, sometimes to the same absurd degree as in American political correctness. A woman applicant for a university position was criticized recently for referring to some-one's "mastery" of a subject.

Sydney has had a gay and lesbian Mardi Gras for years. Last week's attracted 500,000 onlookers, and the Australian Broadcasting Corp. did an hour's program on the parade. A few politicians complained about the broadcast but most people seemed

happy about the event.

Maybe in that respect Australia is more comfortable with diversity than an angry American society is today. In any case there is a distinctiveness about this country now. It is not really a copy of anything. "Austra-lia," Thomas Keneally said, "has become more of itself."

The New York Times.

## Taiwan's Young Democracy Prepares for the Post-Deng Era

AIPEI - East Asia is in the ingly endless FBI investigations, the interminable forms that potential nominees need to T AIPEI — East Asia is in and midst of dramatic change. Economic reform policies in China and Vietnam, the democratization of South Korea, the peace settlement and elections in Cambodia, the end of the Liberal Democratic Party's long monopoly on political power in Japan, and the emergence of influential political and economic group-The White House reports that of the 602 ings have all commanded interna-

need to be made for 134. His aides say that We hear less about the transformacandidates have been picked for all but 47 of tion of Taiwan. The island's postwar these and are at various stages of vetting, economic miracle is widely known. though it is hard to know these days how long But fundamental changes in its do-mestic and foreign policy deserve urgency is lost with the passage of time, and closer attention. empty chairs begin to be a way of life. Empty

In recent years, the governing Luomintang has jettisoned its authoritarian past, and the first demo-cratic system in Chinese history is taking shape. The Kuomintang is the world's only example of a Leninist

By David Shambaugh narty that has devolved power volum

tarily and created a competitive multiparty system. Democracy is still in its infancy, but Taiwan politics is now fiercely competitive, and the government is responsive to the electorate. Officials are regularly grilled by legislators and held accountable for their actions. Taiwan today can legitimately call itself "Free China," in sharp contrast

to the mainland. The Kuomintang is not without its problems. It is accused of rampant vote-buying and corruption. Last year a maverick faction split off to form the New Party, which draws its support from younger, well-educated members of the middle class, and from mainlanders disenchanted with the more accommodating stance the Kuomintang has adopted toward

Beijing. But overall the party has be-come more populist, allowing it to cut into the traditional constituencies of its main rival, the Democratic Pro-

gressive Party. In democratizing, the Knomintang has brought the military and security services to heel. The navy, currently embroiled in a procurement scandal, is being brought to account by an inquiring press, legislature and exec-utive. The dreaded Garrison Command has been disbanded. Martial law was ended in 1991, after 42 years. Sedition laws have been abolished. Respect for human rights has dra-

matically improved. As part of the cleansing process. the Kuomintang is finally compen-sating families of victims of the notorious "February 28 Incident" of 1947, when retreating troops of the

Nationalist Army massacred tens of Beijing is unlikely to agree to such an thousands of native Taiwanese. There is no greater symbol of Tai-

wan's political transformation than Shih Ming-teh, the Nelson Mandela of Taiwan. Having spent 14 years in prison on sedition charges, he has become an articulate and fiery Democratic Progressive leader. He and the party continue to advocate Taiwan's idence, but they are not punished for their beliefs. Taiwan's relationship with Beijing

has changed dramatically since 1989. While the rest of the world was punishing the mainland regime for its brutal suppression of the pro-democracy movement, Taiwan was forging a quiet and steady rapprochement. In the past five years, trade between the two through Hong Kong has amounted to \$25.6 billion. Nearly 10,000 Taiwan companies have invested a total of more than \$6.4 billion on the mainland, mainly in Fujian Province. across the strait from Taiwan.

Taiwan businessmen have capitalized on economic and cultural affini-ties with China. Penetration of the mainland market has helped Taiwan avoid the recession that has afflicted Japan and many other countries. Nearly a million Taiwan people visit China each year. Although Tarpei still does not permit direct trade, transport, postal or commercial links, such ties are under intensive review. They may be permitted later this year if

Beijing offers a concession in return.
The Kuomintang government still calls itself the Republic of China, but it no longer clings to the fiction that it is the sovereign government of all China. It now realistically claims only suzerainty over Taiwan and the offshore islands. On this basis, Prime Minister Lien Chan recently told the legislature that Taiwan would considreunifying with the mainland under a federation or confederation.

As long as Deng Xiaoping is alive.

arrangement. It continues to refuse to recognize Taiwan as a political entity asserting instead that it is a renegade province. Nor has China renounced the possible use of force against Taiwan. Beijing also continues to be uncompromising on Taiper's participa-tion in the international community.

Taiwan's recent efforts to rejoin the United Nations are not likely to succeed. But more and more countries are dealing with Taiwan at a semi-official level and support its entry into international organizations.

President Lee Teng-hui, a Taiwanese, recently completed an unprece-dented visit to the Philippines, Indonesia and Thailand. By hosting Mr. Lee's "vacation" visit, those countries showed that they were willing to ignore Beijing's wrath. The American sale to Taiwan in 1992 of 150 F-16 fighters as well as Harpoon missiles and frigates, followed by France's sale of 60 Mirage-2000 fighters and naval vessels, shows that Taiwan is

breaking out of its isolation. Taiwan's flexible diplomacy and financial clout as the holder of the world's second-largest foreign ex-change reserves will not buy it international recognition as a sovereign state. However, its more realistic policy toward the mainland has in-creased its legitimacy in the international community. The continued democratization of Taiwan will win it

forther respect and credibility.

The future of post-Deng China remains in doubt. A collapse of Conjugation of the conjugation of the collapse of the collapse of Conjugation of the collapse of t munist Party rule is one possibility. Taiwan has positioned itself well for a future role in mainland affairs.

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#### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

#### 1894: No Secret Treaty

ST. PETERSBURG - An authoritative denial is given here to the reported conclusion of a secret treaty be-tween Russia and China with regard to the Pamirs and Corea. On the other hand, it is stated that negotiations which are proceeding in this capital between the two Powers concerning the Pamirs have, during the last few days, taken a more favorable turn, and there is every prospect of an agreement being arrived at shortly.

1919: Anarchist to Die

PARIS - Emile Cottin, the averted Anarchist who attempted to assassinate M. Clemenceau, the French Prime Minister, was last evening [March 14] sentenced to death by the Third Court-Martial of the Paris military district, sitting in the great Assize Hall of the Palace of Justice. The decision of the Court left no room for "extenuating circumstances" on which Mastre Oscar Bloch, Cottin's lawyer,

had relied. Tail and slim. Cottin, who is about 22 years of age, seemed indif-ferent to his fate, although at the mention of certain points that indicated premeditation on his part, he nervous-ly lifted a protesting hand.

#### 1944: In Rome's Defense WASHINGTON - [From our New

York edition: President Roosevelt, obviously mindful of the plea of Pope Pius XII that the Allies and Germans spare Rome from destruction, de-nounced today [March 14] the Nazi's use of "the boly city of Rome" as a military center, said it was "a logical step in the Nazi policy of total war a policy which treats nothing as sa-cred — and declared that the United States, in fighting for freedom of reli-gion would continue to try to safeguard religious and cultural monuments. The President read a 121word statement on the subject at his press conference, and when he had finished, he gave his desk a determined thump and said that's that.

## Lessons in the AIDS War

The federal Centers for Disease Control have just released the latest figures on new AIDS cases. They appear to be horrendous, with 103,500 new cases reported in 1993, an increase of 111 percent over the previous year. But a more careful reading is much more encouraging, because the figures are not based on comparable definitions of the disease.

Until last year, people who were HIV-positive were said to have developed AIDS only when certain kinds of blood infections, Kaposi's sarcoma or any of 21 other conditions were present. In order to get people into AIDS treatment and Social Security disability benefits sooner, however, the definition was expanded to include those who had developed any of four new qualifying conditions: pulmonary tuberculosis, recurrent pneumonia, invasive cervical cancer or a drop in CD4 immune cells to a fifth of the level present in healthy individuals. This new definition was expected to result in a one-time doubling of reported cases in 1993; the figures were even higher. But by the old definition, the number of reported cases would actually have been a bit

lower than in recent years: about 48,000. The new figures also reflect a continuing shift in the demographic pattern of AIDS infection. Nine percent of last year's cases are attributable to beterosexual contact. Those most at risk are individuals with multiple sex partners who have AIDS or HIV or are intravenous drug users. The disease continues to spread among women, blacks and Hispanics and intravenous drug users. But the proportion of new cases attributable to homosexual

contacts continues to decline. In San Francisco, for example, city health officials say the rate of new infections peaked in 1992 and has begun to decline. What made the difference in San Francisco? A well-organized gay community that spurred intensive education and prevention programs. Differ-ent populations, particularly those like prostirates and drug addicts who live on the margins of society, may be more difficult to reach. But it is now clear that intensive education campaigns produce results. They should be duplicated nationwide.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.



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## Reich Takes On the Jobs Conundrum

WASHINGTON — The "jobs summit" of industrial nations that ends Tuesday in Detroit is another example of leaders finally catching up with the people.

American families figured out by the middle of the Bush administration that the layoffs hitting them, their friends and their communities were not just another swing in the familiar business cycle. When giant firms like General Motors, Du Pont, Boeing and IBM announced

The Clinton team is off to a good start. But America's bureaucratic battlefields are littered with the bones of jobs programs that failed.

"restructurings" of their work forces that eliminated thousands of jobs, there was a sense of finality that chilled people's hopes.

The anxiety bred by those layoffs

is one reason George Bush is no longer president. Even as the economic recovery that began in Mr. Bush's final year gains momentum. Mr. Clinton knows that the "structural unemployment" problem re-mains to be solved.

The administration's response to

is challenge has been impressive. But history suggests that this may be even a tougher nut to crack than the tasks that Mr. Clinton has taken on with health care reform, welfare reform and "reinventing" government. The bureaucratic battlefields of Washington and the nation are littered with the bones of job training and employment programs that were highly touted but failed.

By David S. Broder

The record does not intimidate Labor Secretary Robert Reich. There are working models in Hamden. Connecticut, in Baltimore, in Louisville, Kentucky, in Sunnyvale, California, he said in an interview. "And we are building real accountability standards into the system." Skeptics would question his as-

suredness, but Mr. Reich has accomplished some things that are, in Washington terms, unprecedented. He reached across the jurisdictional moat of the Washington Mall and found in Education Secretary Richard Riley a partner who was willing to overcome the traditional jealousies between their departments. Their collaboration has produced a school-to-work transition bill soon to reach the president's desk. The two departments will use the modestly funded bill to get better

coordination at the state and local level of work-related high school programs for those students -- 75 percent of the total — who do not go on to get four-year college degrees.

Far more ambitious is the "reemployment plan" recently intro-duced at the White House. It addresses the fact that the nature of blessness has changed. As Mr. Reich said, the current system of unemployment benefits was designed to "provide something to tide you over until you get the old job back again ... after a re-cession." But last year, threefourths of the layoffs involved per-

The \$36 billion that state and federal governments spent last year on regular and emergency unemployment benefits kept people affoat, but rarely did much to help them find new jobs. As a result, an unprecedented 20 percent of Amer-

ica's unemployed have been out of work for more than six months. Mr. Reich's strategy calls for eliminating the special eligibility re-quirements for several job training

programs, requirements that slow down laid-off workers who want to acquire new skills. "In this day and age," he said, "it shouldn't matter why you lose your job." He would merge them into a single program, run through "one-stop" job centers where all options — current vacancies, training programs and coun-seling on choices — would be readily available.

It sounds eminently sensible. But many of the elements have been tried, with scant success. When Richard Nixon ran for president in 1968, he promised a "computerized job data bank." The Clinton plan contains the same promise. That is not the only example. In a

paper delivered at an American En-terprise Institute conference on this sue, James Heckman of the University of Chicago cited a vast literature of studies on the "ineffectiveness of ... government training programs." Lawrence Katz, the chief economist in Mr. Reich's department, responded that many of the criticisms Mr. Heckman and others have made are valid, but he insisted they have been taken into account in designing the administration's proposal. Others in both industry and labor who have experience with job training and counseling for the longterm unemployed agree that govern-ment programs in this area have a

It is a big gamble, carrying a \$13 billion price tag over five years. Mr. Reich says field-testing has demon-strated its practicality. With more than 2 million dislocated workers a year looking for help in finding jobs, you have to hope he is right. The Washington Post.

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Why Clintonites Shudder At Televising Whitewater

By William Safire

WASHINGTON - Non-independent counsel Robert Fiske, the Democrats' favorite Republican law-yer, is doing the job the Clinton admin-istration hired him to do: keep the Congress from holding public hearings into the '80s wrongdoing in Arkansas and the '90s cover-up in Washington. The White House strategy is to raise the criteria for wrongdoing to the criminal level, thus sealing all evi-

dence of statehouse sleaze and presi-

Putting the hearings on TV would transfix the voters. who would see a new set of venal politicians.

dential abuse of power. If wrongdoing by Democrats is not prosecutable, goes this curious argument, it should be kept secret.

Mr. Fiske was chosen by the people he is investigating for good reason: He would actively help prevent dreaded hearings. This improper intervention by the Clintons' hand-picked counsel into the checks and balances between legislative and executive branches is welcomed by Democrats in Congress fearful of Whitewater contamination in this fall's elections.

The Clinton-Fiske contention that press reporting and congressional oversight harms his pristine probe collapses under two facts:

y First, the December revelation by The Washington Times of the secret handoff of the damning Whitewater file - which was also evidence of unlawful work by a White House official on private dealings — triggered the public's demand that the Clintons stop being the judge in their own case and appoint an outside investigator.

Second, the questioning by Senator 'Alfonse D'Amato in a routine banking hearing revealed the collusion between so-called independent regulators and White House damage controllers. Only that senatorial revelation, followed by media prodding — and not any investigation by Mr. Fiske's furniture-shopping Washington staff - provoked Mr. Fiske into his paroxysm of subpoenas.

The next use of the non-independent counsel in the Democrats' containment of Whitewater will be the delaying tactic of an "interim report." White House aides are confident that Mr. Fiske can fend off calls for congressional hearings with the promise of a quick report on the cover-up since October. (A faithless Treasury counsel tipped off Bernard Nussbaum, who tipped off the White House cover-up coordinator, who tipped off the president - who "cannot remember" who

warned him that he was going to be named as beneficiary in a criminal referral. It was Bruce Lindsey, who misled reporters at the time.)

Democratic congressional leaders think Mr. Fiske will find this pattern of sustained impropriety to fall short of criminal conspiracy. The unlawful Treasury "heads up" may have given the Rose Law Firm time to commence searching and shredding, but there is

no tape-recorded smoking gun. If the hoped-for Fiske interim report in April raps knuckles but does not recommend prosecution, Democrats will say: "See? No serious wrongdoing, so no hearings." This re-liance on Mr. Fiske is why the Democrats refuse to let the Independent Counsel Act - which could lead to the appointment of truly independent counsel - out of conference.

House Banking chairman Henry Gonzalez, scourge of Iraqgate Republicans, closes his eyes to Democratic corruption. Senate Banking chairman Don Riegle of the Keating Five pro-tects his future lobbying career with this final act of partisan perfidy. But hearings-containment will not work;

sometimes hypocrisy asks too much. Why are Democrats frantically avoiding televised hearings? Because they know that TV transforms "affairs" into "scandals." Voters bored by secondhand accounts will be transfixed by the sight of a new set of venal politicians, relentless questioners. corrupting contributors, candid couriers and squirming aides - instant celebrities in tomorrow's political folk-lore. Star of the production will be Hillary Rodham Clinton, ungrandjuried in Mr. Fiske's opening round, whose handlers seek to dampen any future firestorms by leaking word that false deductions or undeclared income might, with civil penalties, amount to a piddling \$40,000. Nothing indictable — and therefore, Clintonites hope, not the stuff of hearings.

Which should remind us: Where is the

Internal Revenue Service in all this? Was the easy suborning of the Resolution Trust Corp. matched by IRS lassi-tude? If that division of Mr. Clinton's anything-goes Treasury Department has not for years been auditing returns of Whitewater, Madison and the Clintons - and has not been referring cheating to prosecutors — then that agency is a part of the problem.

The New York Times.

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Nation of Europe

Regarding "Nations Can Resolve to Act, but Europe Isn't a Nation" (Opinion, Feb. 10) by William Pfaff:

As much as Switzerland is a nation, Europe can and will be one; in fact, it is already happening. We should be watch-ing and listening to our children, not to the old folks. This change is under way despite the nostalgic longings of some political power elites for the "good old days," because it is an inevitable process that derives its dynamics from the grass roots of the population.

In a few decades, French foreign policy will be about as important as the foreign policy of, say, Oregon today.

ADOLF SPANGENBERG. Brussels.

Playing the Game

As an American, I am truly ashamed of the hypocrisy of U.S. officials, including the president (whom I wholeheartedsupport on most other issues) in the harades of the Ames spy case.

I agree that this is a serious matter, but let's be more honest than naive. Badmouthing Russia, expelling diplomats and threatening to cut off financial aid is not going to stop the Russians from spying on the United States — nor will the United States quit spying on them. And everybody knows it!

Let's face reality, and admit that only U.S. political egos have been bruised because Moscow beat the Americans at their own game.

CARI VOTAVA.

Wheels in Singapore

Regarding "Asians, Too, Wans Good Environment" (Opinion, Feb. 1):

While it is easy for Ambassador Tommy Koh to extoll Singapore's "radical approach" in addressing the problem of transportation and its impact on the environment, he fails to point out certain facts. Singapore has created a system that

requires all but people in the highest tax brackets to resort to public transportation. There is no congestion problem because the very ability to own vehicles has been taken away from the majority by the elite in government. The cost of cars in Singapore is reportedly the highest in the world.

People like their cars. Yet the government of Singapore maintains a policy of depriving citizens of basic rights which many consider inalienable. A specter of Big Brother rises with the talk of a system that allows any government to monitor the movements of a people and to tax them accordingly.

J. EVERETT BLACKWORTH.

Hemingway: Yes and No

Regarding "A Moment on His Way to the Bullfights" (Meanwhile, Feb. 17) by Arthur Highee:

In the 1950s, I was the society reporter for the Paris edition of the New York Herald Tribune, which meant I wrote a twice-weekly column of names, names and more names. Almost every weekday at noon, I would take my favorite corner table in the Ritz bar, where I could sit

and watch the parade of celebrities going by. Ernest Hemingway was a leading habitue, but he would stand up at the bar with his back to the room, chatting with his favorite barman, Claude, One day I mentioned to Claude that I'd like

A few days later, I was walking through the Ritz lobby on my way to the bar, when a cloakroom attendant said, "Bonjour, Madame Nolan," as always. A giant of a man seemed to jump out from behind his Herald Tribune and bellow my name. I was startled to see Hemingway come toward me like a great grizzly bear with half-glasses perched on his nose. He towered over me.

to meet Hemingway.

"SO, IT'S YOU. I UNDERSTAND YOU WANT TO INTERVIEW ME." ("Yes," I said.)

"AS MUCH AS I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU, I CAN'T. DO YOU UN-DERSTAND?" ("Yes," I said.)
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THERE'D BE A WHOLE STRING OF
PEOPLE WANTING INTERVIEWS,
DO YOU REALIZE THAT?" ("Yes,"

"WELL THEN YOU WON'T BE TOO UPSET WITH ME IF I DON'T GIVE YOU AN INTERVIEW?" ("No?" 1 said.)

He half-bowed and went back to his place on the couch behind his newspaper. When I went into the bar, Claude greeted me with a big grin and asked if I had gotten my interview with Monsieur "Em-Ingue-Vey.

"Yes and no," I said.

MAGGI NOLAN.

## Their Guilty Consciences Help the World Go Round

**By Garrison Keillor** 

N EW YORK — I was in Roanoke, plaining themselves. And the town virginia, last month and heard a would get uglier and uglier. story from a truck driver about a man in a small town who was killed 30 years ago when his car was hit broadside by a truck in a spring thunderstorm while he was parked at 3 A.M. with another man's wife alongside the highway. News got around town that his body

was naked in the wreckage.

The woman, only slightly injured,

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left town two days later on a Grey-

hound bus.
At the man's funeral, the minister preached a fire and brimstone sermon. saying that some things a man just can't get away with, and a few weeks later the minister was discovered late at night in the church office naked with his young secretary and he and his wife and three children had

So did the secretary.
I thought about this story as I drove through small towns with churches in them. Adultery is hard on a small

town because it can cause sudden population loss, and usually it's the wrong people who get run out.

Sinners are more important to a town's economy than saintly people are, and they are better citizens. A

gnawing sense of guilt makes them more willing to serve on committees. The value of hypocrisy is that it lets a town keep sinners around without having to be aware of them all the time. That Virginia town that lost eight residents through two acts of adultery - a

motel with a blind desk clerk would have saved them all a lot of misery. So it is no wonder that the South has some of the prettiest places in America, handsome old cities like Roanoke and lovely small towns where, despite Walmart, there is still a Main Street and farms with old barns that are graceful

and beautifully proportioned.

These places are monuments to people who gave a damn, took their time to build well and tried to fit into the landscape because they had a healthy sense of shame. The miles of brutal architecture you see along freeways those are the monuments to our time, the age of Complete Disclosure.

In our time, the dead man's mistress would have gone on "Oprah" ("Women in Illicit Relationships That Ended With a Traffic-Related Fatality") and the minister and the secretary would have stood up in front of the congregation and declared that illicit love had opened their hearts to a deeper sense of caring, and the minister's wife would have sued the school of theology for negligence in failing to emphasize the Seventh Commandment.

Nobody would leave town. Everybody would be too busy ex-

would get uglier and uglier. Let's put it this way: There are forms of openness that make hypocri-sy look awfully good, bud.

Sinners aren't supposed to talk hon-estly about what led them to do what they did. They are supposed to feel bad and work it off by restoring some Victorian storefronts, coaching kid baseball and serving on the city council.

That's what makes America great. A city like Roanoke ("The Star City") with its handsome old market district full of bookstores, bars, antique stores and slow food joints is not built by running people out of town. I went to a Kiwanis Club luncheon in an old hotel downtown, the ballroom full of people who stood and

sang the national anthem and sang it intensely.

They recited the Pledge of Allegiance and were called to order by a woman president—the Kiwanis was a male stronghold not so long ago and the invocation was addressed to "the Universal Power that comforts and sustains us all," so as not to

offend the non-deists. Suddenly I could see a future for Roanoke, if it had enough people like the Kiwanians, hearty traditionalists with the wit to adapt and keep up with the times, people with enough holes in

their underwear to make them careful crossing streets. The main speaker was a windbag from out of town, the sort who made you want an anesthetic, and when he was done I asked the man next to me if there were still moonshiners operating

around Roanoke, which used to be famous for it. "You want some corn liquor, I'll give you some," he said, and we went out to his car and he fished from the trunk a half-gallon glass jar full of

clear liquid and put it in a grocery sack and gave it to me. I offered to pay.
"No," he said, "it wasn't given to
me on that basis."

I took it back to the motel and found that the cap on the jar leaked. So it was necessary for me and some

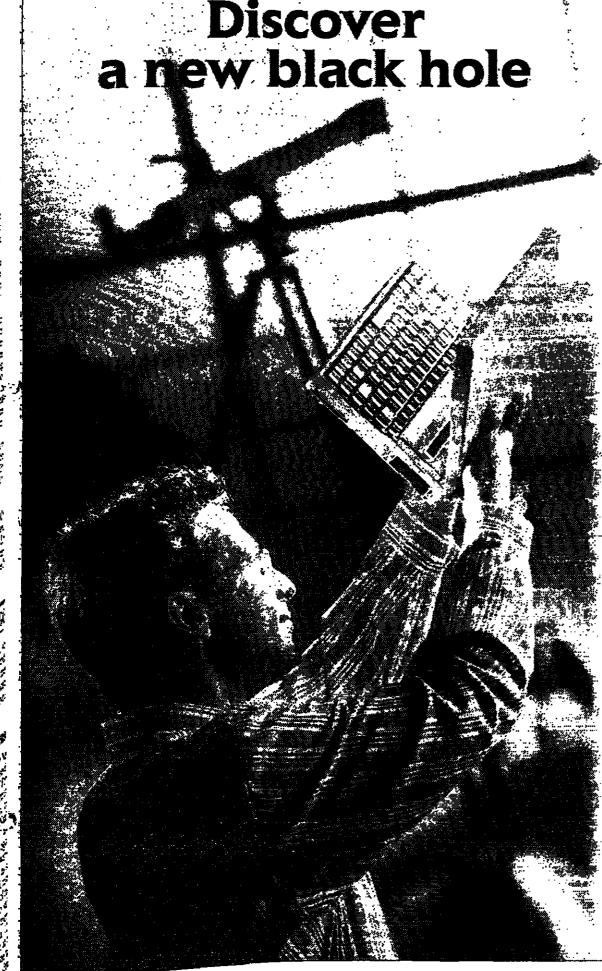
people I know to drink it all that night. We drank it on the motel balcony, without ice, out of paper cups, and one cup seemed to lead naturally to the next, so I got very drunk, but in the morning I had no hangover, as one would have with legal whiskey.

I felt guilty about that, of course, to have gotten smashed and suffer no pain afterward, and I have been going around quietly doing good ever since.

If there is anything I can do for you. I hope you will let me know.

The writer is the author, most recently, of "The Book of Guys." He contributed this comment to The New York Times.

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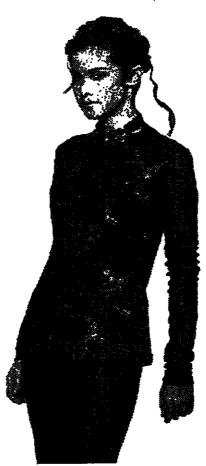




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Lacroix's ethnic patterning.





Jin Teok's Oriental damask.





Martine Sitbon's cheongsam dress. Romeo Gigli's Persian coat.

## East Influenced West All Through Season

By Suzy Menkes International Herald Tribune

ARIS — Among the trends splattered on the international runways - cropped sweaters, fluffy fabrics, brief shorts and long coats - one story kept recurring: the allure of the East. It seems symbolic that the long Paris season for winter 1994 began and ended with designers from Asia. The final Friday of the show season was dominated by designers from the Pacific area, which may turn out to be the fashion force of the new millennium.

The East was also an inspiration for many of the powerful and forward-looking designers. John Galliano's capsule show took the Japanese obi and the kimono as the basis for a polished and provocative collection. Jean-Paul Gaultier trawled the most far-flung countries from Mongolia to Tibet and like many other designers — made brocade fabrics with an Oriental sheen and pattern an important part of his show.

Even Martine Sitbon, who dedicated most of her collection to Lolita-esque schoolgirls, used Chinese damasks and the cheongsam wrapped neck for the evening styles in her

show.
Yohji Yamamoto, who has been showing in Paris for more than a decade, explored the roots of his own Japanese culture for the fall

kimono for graceful winter coats, some even decorated with the symbols, patterns and brilliant colors of actual kimonos.

The influence of the East is partly the result of fashion's focus on polyglot ethnic cultures. Romeo Gigli, Christian Lacroix and Rifat Ozbek continued to dip into the cultural melting pol, with Gigli focusing on a Persian theme, Ozbek on Turkey and Lacroix jetting from Scandinavia to China with Nordic sweaters, damask silks and kimono coats. While Japanese designers, including

Comme des Garçons, Issey Miyake and Ya-mamoto, have made genuinely creative contributions to fashion, the rest of Asia has seemed to be following (not to say copying) Western style. But the arrival of two mature and influential South Korean designers on the Paris scene suggests that there is a way for Asians to nurture their roots. Lee Young Hee, the daughter of a South

Korean seamstress, started her design career in 1976 by offering new interpretations of the hanbok, the traditional Korean dress. The show Lee Young Hee sent out Friday

was a graceful marriage of East and West: the kimono-wrap coat, made with a high waist, padded or trimmed with rabbit and Mongolian lamb; elongated vests layered over long skirts, using discreetly patterned damask silks or more dramatic tie-dye pat-terns; fluffy cropped sweaters with the fullskirted hanboks made in silk organza.

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contained within a medallion or cameo. The shiny fabrics were made into narrow pants, or long dresses and coats, often high-waisted and perhaps wrapped with ribbons under the bust. Knitwear also made a strong statement, especially the fluffy mohairs that are this season's story. The designer played with the bare midriff — but in an Oriental way, reducing it to a slit of flesh at the back rather than baring the navel. The workmanship that married damask, velvet and sheer chiffon was finely wrought, and so were the tiny pintucks on a feminine white shirt.

Perennial fuss is made about hemline lengths at the Paris shows. The news this season was the way that short skirts were refreshed with A-line shapes and kilt pleats, or by showing flared shorts. The near-anklelength coat goes not just with a micro-minieither rising high at the waist, or low-slung hipsters, with very wide legs and cuffs.

the depth of its pile. Mohair, angora and green with a bay leaf-green patterned velvet anything fluffy is the look. The alternative is skirt. the revival of the Shetland sweater, last seen

Since no one strong silhonette emerged, season. He used the sloping shoulders, the Jin Teok, also from South Korea, used the flared sleeves and the soft tie wrap of the most delicate of damasks, with spiky flowers mohair, blanket and plaid checks important. the East.

The most memorable shows were those that seemed to express a return to elegance and polished style -in a modern way. If you discounted the models flashing bared breasts (not to mention a fake-fur G-string), Vivienne Westwood's tailored riding coats sug-gested that sophisticated elegance. So did Galliano's quiet, poetic show with careful attention paid to hair and makeup.

The season closed on Friday with a show that was significant for expressing calm and restraint among a crowd of groupies who wore fishnet tights and stilettos (that was a guy) and skirts made of wrapping a fringed blanket round the hips (that was often a guy too).

Gilles Rosier is a former assistant of Jean-

Paul Gaultier, but he does not go for fashion on the wild side. Out came models in impeccably cut clothes, with Rosier even inventing skirt but with wide, soft pants — the newest an all-in-one garment that had a neat bodice and wide pants, often with a different material inserted on the inside of the wide legs.

Rosier played with fabrics — Harris tweed EXT winter will be a big season for small knits. What the cropped, bare-midriff sweater lacks in length, it makes up for in when a Shetland sweater came out in leaf

It was not wild and wacky but fresh, young and wearable. It also had grace and feminini-ty — words that fashion junked 25 years ago the focus was rather on fabrics. Boiled wool, in the West. Maybe that is what designers

## Interiors: The Wright Stuff

By Rita Reif New York Times Service

' EW YORK — Frank Lloyd Wright loved a party — especially if he was the focus. So he would probably cheer the cavalcade of exhibitions, lectures, symposiums and films under way in New York City, an unprecedented celebration of his work that has been sparked by the landmark retrospective "Frank Lloyd Wright: Architect," at the Museum of Modern Art.

Complementing the museum's show of 500 items - mostly drawings and photographs of Wright buildings — are two smaller exhibitions: "The Decorative Arts of Frank Lloyd Wright," at the Metropolitan Museum of Art through Sept. 4, and "The Art of Frank Lloyd Wright," at the Barry Friedman gallery through May 7. Both span the architect's career from the 1890s to the 1950s, and each

includes unexpected surprises. "Wright orchestrated all aspects of architecture," says Catherine Hoover Voorsanger, the assistant curator of American decorative arts, who organized the Metropolitan's show.

The 75 items, which are on view in the Henry Luce Center of the American Wing, include furniture in both wood and metal, stainedglass windows, porcelain dinnerware, textiles, glass blocks and copper vases. On the floor below is one of the museum's prizes: Wright's sprawling living room, complete from floor to ceiling, including all the furnishings, from the 1914 Francis W. Little house in Wayzata, Minnesota.

The architect's concern with detail is visible everywhere in the museum displays. A table for storing prints from the Little house reveals Wright's fascination with the T-square in his use of contrasting wood elements of vertical spindles and horizontal banding. A more complex interplay of angles is seen on the surface of a cement block that

By Robert Byrne

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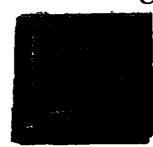
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ment. There are two immediate advantages to the Richter-Rauzer

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Cement wall block.

Wright used for a wall of a Los Angeles house in 1923. Less well-known are Wright's clear glass blocks from 1897. He conceived them for mass production 25 years before other architects employed them to admit more light while screening interiors from outside view. The Wright blocks — which are ribbed on one side and patterned on the other with a flower-like image of squares, circles and ovals -- reflect his love of gothic imagery. Wright's tendency to alter his

designs from one job to the next or even in different parts of the same room — is seen in many works in the show. He never stopped fiddling with the designs of stained-glass windows, the frames of chairs or the patterns

The Metropolitan has on view two versions of the slab-backed wooden chair he designed in 1904 for the Larkin Building in Buffalo; the slanted back anticipated Gerrit Rietveld's so-called red-blue chair of 1918.



1908 armchair.

Although the two at the muse-um have similar angled back panels that extend from the headrest to the floor, the back posts are of different heights and thicknesses. "He never stopped changing a design," says Scott Elliott, the founder of the Kelmscott Gal-

lery in Chicago who helped orga-nize the Friedman gallery show. The 85 items on view there include furniture, books, photographs, drawings and examples of dinnerware. Among the slabback chairs are one from Wright's studio in Oak Park, Illinois, upholstered in horsehair in-stead of the usual leather, and four child-sized ones from the 1912 Avery Coonley Playhouse in Riverside, Illinois.

HE square cutouts on the Coonley chairs are too small for a toddler's fingers to push through but large enough for the rawhide tassels that secured back pillows. One of a pair of arm-chairs from the 1908 Gilmore house in Madison, Wisconsin, has vertical slats; its mate's are

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Always a design pioneer, Wright modernized medieval ing figural motifs with abstract and geometric images and leaving most of the glass undecorat-ed. After 1900, he also replaced the lead cames - the metal strips used to fasten the glass in place - with zinc ones, to achieve sharper angles in the metalwork and eliminate the support bars necessary on leaded windows.

His Coonley windows are the giorious result, each a colorful play of rectangles, squares and circles — Wright's vision of a parade of balloons, flags and confetti. Although the single window at Friedman is not for sale, most other pieces at the gallery are, ranging in price from \$450 for a brick from Wright's Imperial Hotel in Tokyo to \$850,000 for a table lamp with a stained-glass shade.

#### BOOKS

#### THE HOUSE THAT ROONE BUILT: The Inside Story of ABC News

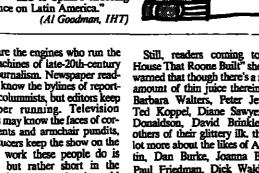
By Marc Gunther. 381 pages. \$23.95. Little, Brown.

Reviewed by Jonathan Yardley

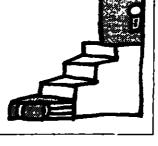
THIS study of the inner work-I ings of ABC News — a study that is exhaustive, encyclopedic and implacably earnest - in the end raises, however inadvertently, the question: Who cares? It is true that in the past the book industry has been surprised by the commercial success of inside peeks at journalistic institutions, notably Gay Talese's "The Kingdom and the Power" and Brendan Gill's "Here at The New Yorker," but whether there will be comparable interest in ABC is at least problematical; the reason is that while Marc Gunther supplies a but producers keep the show on the modest amount of gossip about the stars in the wide world of ABC, his book is mostly about little-known people who work behind the scenes.

• Richard Gardner. U.S. ambassador to Spain, is reading "The Buried Mirror: Reflections on Spain and the New World" by Carlos Fu-

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people are the engines who run the great machines of late-20th-century group journalism. Newspaper readers may know the bylines of reporters and columnists, but editors keep the paper running. Television watchers may know the faces of correspondents and armchair pundits. air. The work these people do is essential but rather short in the glamour department; that it could be of much interest outside their There's a reason for that: Those business seems highly improbable.



Still, readers coming to "The House That Roone Built" should be warned that though there's a modest amount of thin juice therein about Barbara Walters, Peter Jennings, Ted Koppel, Diane Sawyer, Sam Donaldson, David Brinkley and others of their glittery ilk, there's a lot more about the likes of Av Westin, Dan Burke, Joanna Bistany, Paul Friedman, Dick Wald, Rick Kaplan, Jeff Gralnick, Steve Weiswasser and, above all others, the eponymous Roone Arledge. Though a certain amount of the space so sedulously devoted to their doings is concerned with questions of news

to otnce politics and inside baseball: his pioneering efforts in sports broadcasting, Gunther writes, "The Who's on first?

much time elbowing for position Arledge himself wrote in a memo and stabbing each other in the back more than three decades ago, "In as people do in, say, high-stakes short — we are going to add show newspapers. How they practice business to sports!" That is precisely these endeavors is a matter of end- what he did. less fascination to Gunther, who records every up and down, every in and out, with the solemn fidelity to Arledge when it decided to

one beast roars louder than all. This is Roone Pinckney Arledge gernaut and who since 1977 has been applying his singular talents visuals and emotive music that are not merely to ABC News but, by trademarks of the Arledge style, but his or her faculties would care to ment values that [bear] scant relasuch as it may be, is dwarfed by a puerile ego the bulk of which an industrial scale could not measure — but he also emerges as someone who knows exactly what he wants

and has been able to achieve it. policy and — if the word may be permitted in these circumstances— philosophy, far more of it is allotted

From his first day at ABC Sports through last night at ABC News, Arledge's vision has not wavered. Of

This is because in high-stakes game was just the starting point. It television, insiders spend at least as was the show that counted." Or. as

There's no business like news business, which is why ABC turned of a monk transcribing holy writ.

In the jungle that is ABC News,

What is served up five nights a week on "ABC World News" and "Nightline" is one thing, and what's Jr., who during the 1960s and 1970s broadcast on "20/20" and "Primemade ABC Sports into a video jug- Time Live" is quite another. All these programs feature the splashy visuals and emotive music that are example, to all of broadcast journalism. Even in Gunther's admirefforts at authoritative news covering and sympathetic portrait, Arledge emerges as someone with
whom no one in full possession of
where are "shaped by entertainspend a social hour — his charm, tion to the traditional news judgments that had once guided de-cisions about which stories to tell."

Gunther seems uncertain whether to deplore or appland this. As a veteran newspaper reporter (for the Detroit Free Press) he respects the aforementioned "traditional news judgments," but he also is dazzled by all those ABC stars. Though he mows that the ascendancy of Arledge marks a radical departure in the way news is collected and delivered, he tends to lose sight of the big picture as he becomes infatuated with the petty details of internal bickering. Given that ABC News sounds like a positively dreadful place in which to work, this is perhaps exactly what it deserves, but the reader will be forgiven for wishing that Gunther had focused a bit more on the serious questions raised by the antics of all these people.

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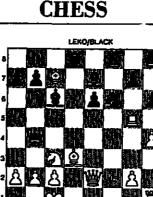
Dragon Variation with 6...g6?! without getting fractured pawns af-ter 7 Bi6 ef; and 7...e5?! gives White a stranglehold on the light squares in the centre after 7 Nf5. On 9... O-O. White should not become greedy with 10 Bf6 Bf6! 11 Qd6 because after 11...Qa5 12 Rd3 Rd8 13 Qa3 Qa3 14 Rd8 Bd8 15 ba
a6, the doubled extra pawn is not Position after 24 Bc7 worth much whereas the black bishop-pair can become a strong

> Morovic could not take advantage of Leko's 15...Bc6 by 16ef? because 16...Rd4 17 fg Kg8 18 gf Kf8 19 Be7 Ke7 leaves White with only rook-plus-knight for the black

weapon in the endgame.

After 21 Bf4, Morovic threatened 22 Rg3 and 23 Qg4 to force 23...g6 when 24 Bg6! annihilates the defense Leko, however, saw the danger and fought for terrain with 21...f5!? 22 ef (22 Rg6 Be8!? 23 Re6 Qc8 24 Rd6 Bd6 25 ed Qc5 yields Black a playable defense) Ni6.

On 23 Rg5!. Leko could not grab the rook with 23...hg? because 24 hg Kg8 25 Qe6 Rf7 26 g6 Be8 27 Bo4 is crushing.



After 24 Bc7, Leko found an effective way to counterattack, a sac-rifice of rook for bishop with 24...Rd3! Now Morovic should have run for a draw with 25 Qd3 hg 26 hg Kg8 27 gf Rf6 (27...Bf6? 28 Bd6) 28 Qh7 Kf7 29 Qh5 Kf8 30 Qh8 Kf7. Leko would not have been able to avoid perpetual check with 29 Ref because 30 Rf1 Bf6 21 with 29... Rg6 because 30 Rf1 Bf6 31 Rf4 Qe7 32 Rg4 Bg5 33 Bf4 wins

But Morovic wrongly thought to win. After 25 cd hg 26 hg Nh7, he could not play 27 Qh5 because 27...Bg5! 28 Qg5 Rfl! wins at once. He did indeed recover his piece with 27 g6 Bg5 28 Kbl Bh6 29 gh,

for White.

but after 29...Qe7 30 Be5 Qg5 31 a3 Kh7 32 Bd6 Rd8 33 Qe6 Qg6 34 Qg6 Kg6 35 Be5 Rd3, Leko had a very strong two-bishop ending. Morovic could not save his g2 pawn because 36 Rgl fails against 36...Be3 and 36 Rh2 Rd2 37 g4 Rh2 38 Bh2 fails against 38...Kg5.

On 43...Bg5, no annoyance was possible with 44 Ne8 because 44...K17! 45 Ng7? lets the knight be trapped after 45.\_Bf3! 46 Ka2 Bg4 47 Kb3 Bh6.

After 53...Kh3, Morovic gave up the hopeless game.

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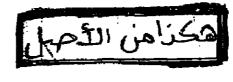
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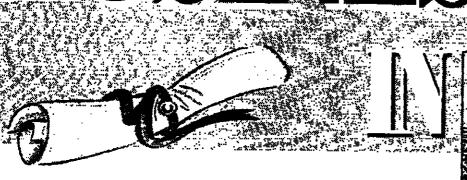
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the same challenges and problems as other advanced Western economies. These include the accelerating pace of market change, the flattening of corporate hierarchies, and the problems of recession and high unemployment.

In addressing such issues, the country is having to make special efforts to adapt its local business-education and management-develop-

> Now, training must be cross-sectoral

ment techniques. This situation arises in part from a long tradition of elitist higher education that placed more emphasis on early selection than on subsequent performance. In addition, French business generally has been slow to accept the need for internal development of human resources within companies.

"In a sense, business schools in France have become victims of their own success over the last 30 years," comments Bruno Dufour, president of the Groupe ESC-Lyon, the business, "What is needed effective executive behavior, rather than the traditional teaching of narrow sec-

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toral techniques." These trends also affect the way businesses approach internal management training. "Until the late 1980s, no one much thought there was any need to provide education for upper-level execu-

rance today faces Millat, deputy manager of the Education and Training Department at Electricité de France in Paris. "We are now taking a very different line. This includes the creation of our own management institute, which aims at fostering a broader cultural approach to management issues, going beyond simple

technical expertise."

In recent years, French companies have recruited an average of 70 percent of their new executives from outside their own corporations. This has been accompanied by - and has encouraged - the rapid development of business-oriented higher education and schools offering business degrees and diplomas.

During the last couple of years, however, the recession has given additional impetus to a more recent trend toward recruiting new managers through internal promotion. This movement has been accompanied and accelerated by reductions in staff, the drastic slimming of intermediate levels of management and the empowerment of lower levels in the corporate hierarchy with the goal of developing the "total

quality" concept. significant consequences both for higher education Lyon graduate school of and for management development inside businesses. time - an oversupply of young business graduates coming onto the market. Meanwhile, businesses have to give much more thought and effort to ongoing management training that cuts

across sectoral frontiers. "The currently popular idea that higher French education in the business field is tives," says Jean-François producing nothing but unemployed graduates is quite inaccurate," says Henri Tezenas du Montcel, general manager of the HEC business school group, based in Jouy-en Josas, near Paris. What is happening is that business graduates with lower-level qualifications or degrees awarded by less well-known institutions are experiencing greater difficulties in finding jobs."

The task facing students attempting to choose the right school as well as employers wishing to evaluate the relative merits of different qualifications is not made any easier by the complex structure of French higher education. Broadly speaking, degrees relevant to business may be awarded by three different sorts of institutions. These are the general universities, the more prestigious grandes écoles (specialized university institutes) and the separate system of business schools.

Many of France's bestknown business schools are connected in one way or another with local chambers of commerce and industry public-sector institutions funded by obligatory taxes and subscriptions paid by local businesses. The recent Such trends are producing reform of the French apprenticeship tax - which provides considerable income for such schools - and a longer-term study into the today is a broad emphasis on 'There is now – for the first role of chambers of com- ness schools much more re merce launched by Business liant on private-sector fund-Minister Alain Madelin are ing and market forces. likely to make French busi-



More graduates, fewer jobs: The quality of the MBA degree is often decisive in recruitment.

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professor and dean of the Groupe ESCP, which operates four major business-education programs at the Ecole Supérieure de Commerce de Paris. France s oldest business school. Here she discusses the evolution of French business education with Axel Krause, corporate editor of the International Herald Tribune.

You were recently named chairman of the newly formed Alliance of Management Schools in European Capitals. What is its goal?

We are moving from bilateral to multilateral relations, from cooperative ventures to strategic alliances. AMSEC, comprising eight European business schools, is a response to changing markets and the adaptation and mutual recognition of educational programs and

Does it compete directly with the Community of European Management Schools, the CEMS network?

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éronique de members of the business Chantérac is a community regularly participate as guest lecturers. Our partner in Germany is the Technical University of Berlin, which offers, for example. a four-year program in economics and business administration. In Belgium it is the Solvay Business School. The diploma from Solvay, for example, is the business degree of the country, and it will be enhanced and recognized on a Europewide basis by being in AM-

How do you react to the decision of some grandes écoles, such as Sciences Po. the Institute of Political Studies of Paris, to offer MBAs?

In general, there are too many institutions now offering business-education programs in France in a scattered manner. Some chambers of commerce, once mature, want their own business schools. Many of these institutions are simply too small, not capable of educating in a serious manner. The trend has become a syndrome. The problem is not in the numbers of students graduated. Sciences Po is a unique case. The school is now set up to provide an education for the elite, the extremely brilliant, and so it was only natural that there

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should be a graduate program in this field. Speaking honestly, the grandes écoles are the main competition for us as we seek to place our graduates in the job market. How do French universities fare in business educa-

Either one finds students with a very general education, or those at the postgraduate level, notably at the doctorate level, such as the DESS in finance at the University of Dauphine. But there are only 30 students in that program. Those coming out of Dauphine's management program are very high-ly regarded, but have great difficulty finding jobs.

Are there not a large number of French youths seeking a business education?

There are some 60,000 students who each year express their intention to enroll in preparatory courses in the field of business. But if you take the three main schools in Paris - HEC, ESSEC and ESCP - there is room for only 1,000. If you add Lyon ESC, that's another 200.

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We have about 70 companies coming to interview students, including 12 new ones. For the most part, they are large companies. We en-courage the small and medium-sized companies to come, but mainly they recruit at the regional schools in the provinces. Things are definitely picking up for us.

How do you assess the roles and problems of women in business educa-

It's a question of generations. It takes 20 years to become a CEO. We first began accepting women around 1972, which means our first female graduates at ESCP came onto the market in significant numbers around and after 1975. Women do face a difficult problem, but this is slowly disappearing as attitudes - among men change. Today, about 50 percent of our students are female. We do not prepare these graduates any differ-ently for job interviews.

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s sharpening competition and burgeoning interna-tionalization force France's larger corporations into reorganizing along project-management lines, executive development and training departments are

25,000 management education operators in France

hastening to get ahead of the trend. At the same time, French business schools, consultants and specialized institutions offering executive educational services are fighting to grab a share of this promising market. French automobile manu-

facturer Renault provides a leading example. Its six-person human resources development unit at Boulogne-Billancourt handles senior management development issues. The section makes significant use of the group's internal resources, though it also exploits a partnership arrangement with the CEDEP management center attached to the INSEAD business school at

Fontainebleau. "A major focus of our activities is to develop synergies by promoting benchmarking type projects with noncompeting corporations such as Aerospatiale, France Telecom and Rank Xerox," says Renault's deputy general manager for human resources development, Gérard Dubrulle. "Other initiatives involve sending staff out for periods with busi-nesses that we work with, such as suppliers and distributors, with a view to improving quality. In all these efforts, our aim is to bring out people's implicit knowlthroughout the organiza-

Some French organizations adopt a decentralized approach to management education. In the case of Electricité de France, 55 percent to 60 percent of this activity is carried out by the central education and training department. The remainder is handled by the regional operating units, which either use their own resources or subcontract to local training institutions.

"One particular scheme we are supporting is a project called 'Ingénieur 2000,' organized by the Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers in cooperation with Renault, Schneider, SNEC-

Sacilor and ourselves," says Jean-François Millat, deputy manager of the EDF education and training department. This project aims at bringing the training of future engineers closer to corporate practice by mixing university study with workplace experience." In some cases, French management-training services are made avail-able on an industry-wide basis. The French Banking Association, for example, provides continuing education for around 90,000 bank staff a year and awards about 20,000 banking diplomas annually. "This effort in-volves an annual turnover of around 280 million francs [\$48 million] and calls on the teaching services of some 3,000 people," says Bernard Rousselet, who

section. Around 25,000 different operators provide continuing management education services of one kind or another in France. These range from the largest and longest-es-tablished business schools, university institutes and big consultancy firms to specialized organizations and individual consultants offering evening courses.

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The growing importance of international business in France is illustrated by the increasing number of business institutes that specialize in language teaching. Institut du Français des Affaires de Reims offers French business-language courses for foreign executives, while the Brussels-based CERAN Lingua provides intensive foreign-language courses for business participants in seven different languages. CERAN's centers include establishments in Paris and the South of France.

"An important part of our edge and spread this nondegree executive program offer is the provision of customer-tailored courses for individual companies." explains Olivier Bruel, director of HEC Management at Jouy-en-Josas. "We often train executives of client companies to teach within their organizations. There is some overlap here with what consultancy firms do, but the distinction is that we are concerned more with longterm issues than with solving an immediate day-to-day problem.

One of the largest specialist organizations operating in the French executivetraining market is the Parisbased Institut Français de Gestion. Another example is the Centre de Perfection-

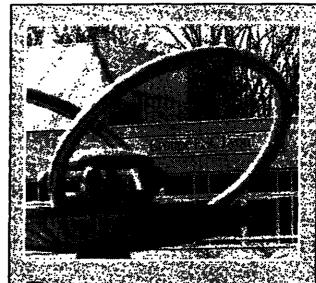
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"The most rapidly growing market is that for intra-

company courses involving some of the large French groups," says Jean-François de Zitter, general manager of the IFG. There is also an increasing need for management training coming from the French public and parapublic sectors," he adds.



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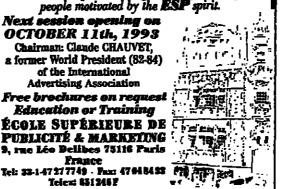
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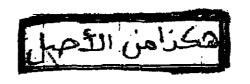
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## BUSINESS EDUCATION IN FRANCE

## JOBS FOR GRADUATES: How Schools Open Doors

uring the recession, from which France may now be emerging, prospective employers have gotten used to taking a much more selective approach to executive recruitment. At the same time, the way corporations work has been changing. These developments are giving new emphasis to the role played by French business schools' career departments.

"We used to be known as the placement department, but this was symbolically changed some years ago to the career-management service," says Mary Boss, careers director at INSEAD. This highlights the fact that we are not just trying to slot students into jobs but that we are helping them to plan at INSEAD on how to make their careers as well."

The careers service operated by the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (Sciences-Po) follows similar principles, but it also incorporates several novel features. "Our department is operated and financed jointly by the institute and by our graduates' association," says Dominique Andriveau, director of Science-Po's career and employment service. "We are also available to

managers during the subse- Pages of the HEC. quent course of their career as well as to young gradu-ates looking for their first job. An important part of our work is to help students arrive at a realistic assessment of their possibilities and to decide what direction they should take. Moreover, we have also always placed considerable emphasis on training students to present

themselves in the best possible way and to maximize their credibility with employers." Networks set up by French business-school graduates often play an important support role as well. We have a very powerful alumni network, and we

use of this resource as part of graduates' career development," says Ms. Boss. "Currently, this network comprises 13,000 INSEAD graduates across the world."

Many students at French business schools find their first jobs by working with a company for a period of practical experience during their courses. "Forty percent of our students obtain their first job with the corporation they have worked with in

provide career advice to this way," says Bérangère

The La Rochelle Business School provides a further example. "For our European bachelor degree in management, we try to place our students with companies outside France during the course. To do this, we make use of our linkups with schools in Britain, Germany and Spain," says Judith Lambert, program director and head of European relations at the La Rochelle school.

The Paris-Dauphine university has developed a number of specialized workexperience packages, including a five-month period in information technology and similar arrangements with consulting firms, banks and corporate-finance departments. Other career services at Dauphine include an opportunities data base, training in job-application techniques and recruitment conferences on campus.

We act for two different sets of clients — the students on the one hand and companies on the other," says Ms. Pagès. "In this connection, it is important to establish good contacts with foreign corporations. For instance, I have just concluded a visit to



the United States, which involved meeting organizations such as Bankers Trust, JP Morgan and Pepsi Cola. There is considerable interest in French business graduates who are fluent in English, particularly for American companies with opera-tions in Brussels."

Although jobs for business graduates in France are now thinner on the ground, starting salaries can still be

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by the French education ministry. the total number of business schools in France rose from 84 in 1981 to 290 in 1992. Now, these numbers could shrink.

"French business schools are too small," says Bruno Dufour, president of the Groupe ESC Lyon. "You need to have at least 100 factransnational-

ly, and companies require Competing stronger local institutions to for the back up their efforts. What is required is nondegree a project to bring about market greater networking and pooling of resources

among French schools. This is no easy matter when you consider all the local rivalries and personalities involved, but it is an essential

Against this background, France's business schools and institutes of higher education are competing to provide undergraduate and graduate business degree courses as well as catering to the lucrative nondegree executive market. Schools linked to chambers of commerce rather than public university institutions have played the biggest role in this area. This picture is hanging, though.

Over the past 15 years or so, the universities and the grandes écoles have made great efforts to become more flexible and to get closer to business," says Henri Tezenas de Montcel, general manager of the HEC at

ccording to sta-tistics produced Jouy-en-Josas. For instance, the Paris-based Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris has recently entered the MBA market, while the equally famous Ponts-et-Chaussées erande école for top engineers offers a similar pro-

At the same time, a growing number of foreign institutions - particularly from the United States - are setting up branches in France. ulty members to operate One example is the Franco-

American Institute of Management, which offers a program called MBA University. "Our course gives students an opportunity to study in both France and the United States, and it produces

bilingual or even

trilingual graduates," explains Associate Dean Michel Lemieux. Another example is the American University of Paris, which offers full- and parttime programs that include business, international marketing and international business law courses.

"Business schools are facing difficult times. The most obvious consequence is a drop in full-time applicants and a significant increase in those for part-time or distance-learning programs." says Eric Briys, dean of the Institut Supérieur des Affaires at Jouy-en-Josas. Mr. Briys suggests a novel

risk-sharing formula to make full-time programs more attractive to students. This could involve reductions in fees, soft bank loans and employer contributions toward fees, linked to students' examination perfor-

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Most of the Englishspeaking students who attended the MBA course with me had chosen a French institution because they wanted to work in France," says Richard Woods, who graduated last year from ISA, part of the HEC group at Jouyen-Josas. He is now employed as an industrial consulting specialist by Peat Marwick in Paris.

Prospective employers from English-speaking nations often place a premium on the French-language skills acquired by international students who choose to study in France. For instance, a recent American graduate of Sciences-Po (Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris) was interviewed by an American corporation that wanted to set up a European subsidiary. The corporation said it was not impressed by the MBA label, but it was very interested in the fact that the course had been conducted in French.

INSEAD, based in Fontainebleau near Paris, is one of France's best-known management-education institutes. Founded in 1959 as a private institution sponsored by the corporate sector, INSEAD aimed from the start at dispensing wholly international management teaching. Most courses are conducted in English, and 17 percent of the institute's MBA students are French.

INSEAD's international ambitions sometimes provoke a rather prickly reaction from France's more traditional management centers. "In contrast to IN-SEAD, we offer products that are closer to the daily realities of French manage-ment practice," says Bérangère Pagès, director of the HEC Group's career advisory service. In addition to its MBA programs, which include the ISA international

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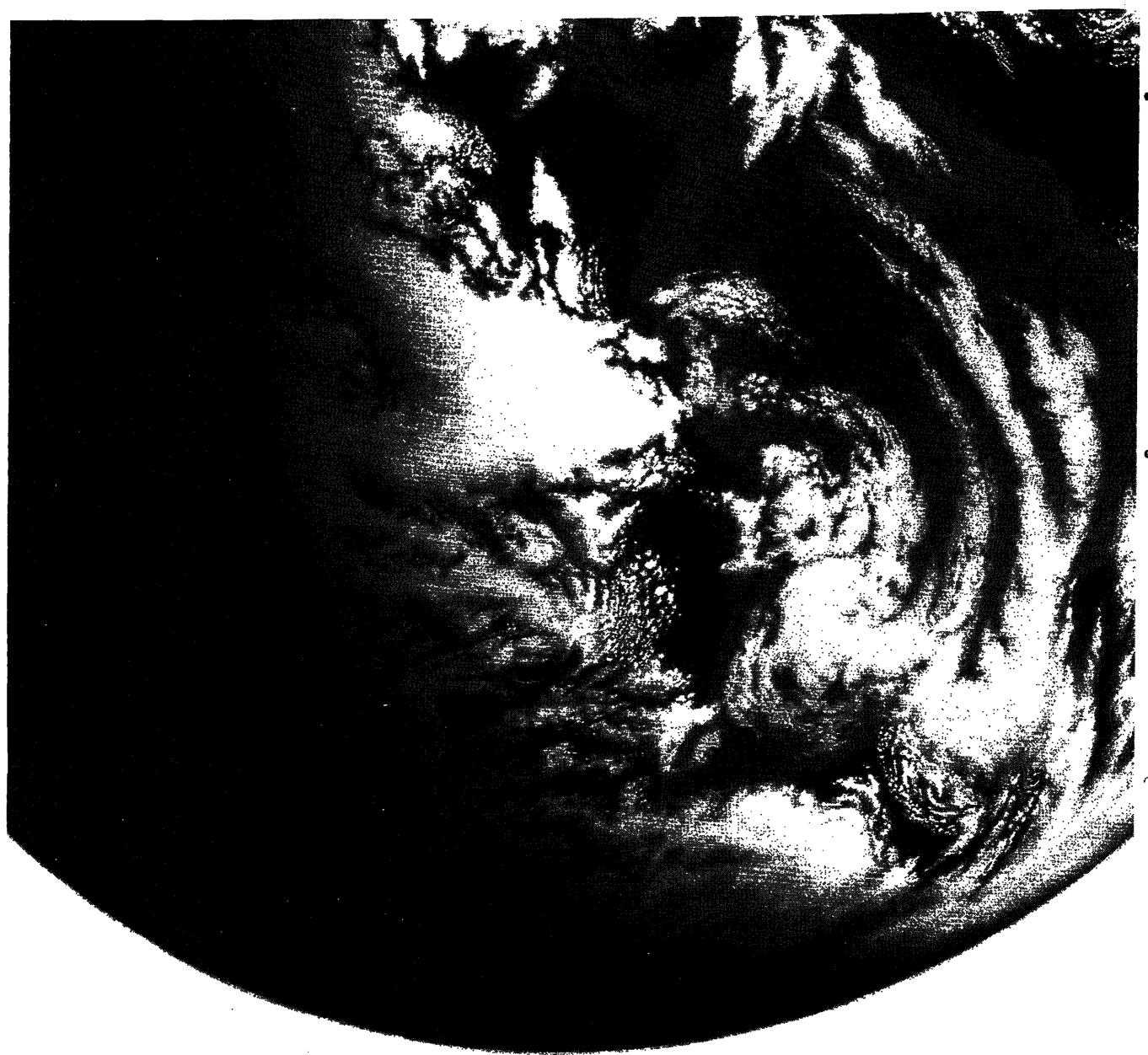
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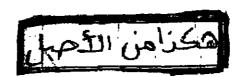
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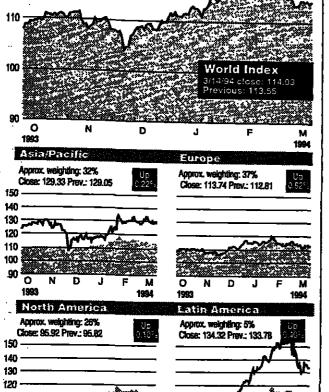
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## GE Bids \$2.1 Billion for Kemper

## Financial Firm Is Asked to Reconsider Rejection

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - General Electric Co., seeking to reinforce its profitable financial services business, said Monday that its GE Capital unit had proposed to buy Kemper Corp. for \$2.1 billion in cash.

GE said it had made the offer, worth \$55 a share, on March 2 and that Kemper, an insurance and securities firm based in Long Grove, Illinois, had responded March 4 that

the company was not for sale.

Nevertheless, Kemper said it would bring the matter to its board at its meeting later this month. In a letter Monday, GE Capital said it had repeated its proposal and asked Kemper management and board to reconsider its ear-lier decision.

GE said it would further raise its bid if, after a review of Kemper's real estate portfo-

lio, "it is appropriate." GE announced the offer after the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange. Kemper's shares, which ended NYSE trading unchanged at \$40.875, jumped \$16.125 to \$57 in after-hours trading.

GE Capital said that Kemper would be its "flagship" in its asset-management business, allowing the company to consolidate other GE/GE Capital activity with Kemper's existing operations. GE already owns the Wall Street brokerage house Kidder Peabody & to concentrate its full attention to growing its Co., and financial services have been among insurance, brokerage and asset management by the concentrate its full attention to growing its insurance, brokerage and asset management by the concentration of the conce the strongest performing divisions for GE in recent quarters.

GE Capital's most recent sizable deal was the rescue in November of GPA Group, the Ireland-based aircraft leasing company,

The offer is pitched at \$55 a share, at least; Kemper's stock rocketed more than \$16 a share to \$57 in afterhours trading.

through a \$1.35 billion purchase of planes already leased by GPA to airlines. On Monday, GE Capital also said it would strengthen Kemper and its insurance opera-

tions by transferring certain problem real estate assets to parts of GE Capital. "This would free the Kemper organization

GE Capital said.

"We believe that there are clear and compelling advantages from the combination of our two companies and that such a transaction would create a maximum value for your employees, customers and shareholders," Gary Wendt, chief executive of GE Capital, said in a letter to David Mathis, Kemper's chief executive.

GE Capital also said Monday that its Vendor Financial Services had signed a new fiveyear financial services agreement with Pyxis Corp., which makes systems that automate the distribution, management and control of medications and supplies in hospitals and

Under the agreement, GE Capital will provide customized financial services support to Pyxis, including a minimum of \$500 million in new financing, with no more than \$350 million outstanding under the credit facility

at any one time. In turn, Pyxis has granted GE Capital the exclusive right to purchase certain lease receivables generated by Pyxis during the term

(Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder)

## Mondale's Talks With Outcast Irk Tokyo

By T.R. Reid

Washington Past Service TOKYO — Ambassador Walter F. Mondale of the United States has ruffled some feathers in Tokyo's political world by dealing directly with a maverick politician to settle the United States' dispute with Japan over access to the local cellular-telephone market.

The agreement that Mr. Mondale announced Saturday got a warm reception from President Bill Clinton and from the Tokyo Stock Exchange, where stock prices jumped about 2 percent Monday.

But it left a bitter aftertaste with some Japanese officials because Ichiro Ozawa, a veteran parliamentarian who has much power but few friends among fellow politicians.

The tension got so high that last week, at the height of the negotia-tions, Mr. Mondale was asked by Kazuo Aichi, Japan's defense min-

Minister Morihiro Hosokawa, to stop talking to Mr. Ozawa, according to U.S. and Japanese officials.

After some hesitation, however,

the negotiations went forward, a deal was reached, and Mr. Hosokawa's government endorsed it. But the episode left the Americans perplexed once more about a basic question - "Who's in charge

here?" — that has troubled Washington time and again in negotiations between the world's two richest nations. Mr. Clinton has made trade with

Japan a central foreign-policy concern, meaning that Washington Mr. Mondale negotiated with side needs somebody to deal with on the Japanese side. But who? Mr. Hosokawa, for all his politi-

cal skills, seems uninterested and aloof when it comes to trade negotiations, officials said. Meanwhile, Japan's career bureaucrats, who often call the shots for the politicians canceled news conferences set for

ister and a close associate of Prime on trade matters, still seem deter- this week, and his office said it mined to resist U.S. demands. That leaves Mr. Ozawa, a blunt, pragmatic political professional with extensive connections among

> and business executives. The Americans were so pleased with Mr. Ozawa's no-nonsense approach that they encouraged him when he announced plans to travel to Washington next week.

In fact, plans are being made for direct talks between Mr. Ozawa and Mr. Clinton on other trade disputes a prospect that has not been received happily by Mr. Hosokawa's

Accordingly, officials here said, a battle is raging within Mr. Ho-sokawa's cabinet as to whether Mr. Ozawa should be allowed to make

Mr. Ozawa has responded by withdrawing from public view. He

could provide no information about a possible trip to Washing-American negotiators are watch-

Japan's politicians, bureaucrats ing the controversy like weekend guests who find themselves in the midst of another family's argument. "We will talk to anybody they send over to deal with us," a U.S.

official said. "We had reason to believe that the prime minister reduction in interest rates," he said himself wanted us to deal with Ozawa on the cellular phone deal," this official said. "Then we got this call from Aichi, and he very clearly said we were not to negotiate with Ozawa. But when we pursued the point further, we were again led to staenant wages. believe that dealing with Ozawa was the approved course."

The United States and Japan have been heading toward a trade confrontation since July 1993, when Mr. Clinton came to Japan

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## **Clinton Urges Europe to Trim Interest Rates**

By Alan Friedman

President Bill Clinton, in a speech in Detroit opening a jobs conference that critics said would produce more rhetoric than action, on Monday called on Europe to reduce interest rates and on Tanan to increase domestic demand as part of an effort to stimulate growth and create jobs.

Although U.S. officials had been trying to reduce expectations ahead of the two-day conference of the Group of Seven nations, a British official said Monday that a plan had been agreed upon to tackle the unemployment crisis in the leading industrial countries.

"We decided on a common set of principles" that will be taken to the Group of Seven's annual summit meeting in July in Naples, David Hunt, Britain's employment minister, said after a meeting attended by Mr. Clinton.

Among the points in the plan, Mr. Hunt said, were investment in training and skills to improve the quality of labor markets; a renewed commitment to free trade and open markets; increased flexibility in labor markets to provide opportunities for the long-term unemployed; and pursuit of a stable, low-inflation economic environment to foster long-term growth.

[Henning Christophersen, resident for economic affairs of the European Union's executive commission, agreed that more should be done to reduce interest rates, Agence France-Presse reported. "In Europe, we need a further

in a statement released as the job conference began.] In his speech, Mr. Clinton said 'collective energy and ideas" were needed to solve the international crisis of chronic joblessness and

While he admitted that the loss jobs was also a result of structurchanges such as a decline in Western manufacturing industries, Mr. Clinton hammered home the need for economic-policy measures

cials and central bankers from France and Germany have disagreed in private and in public over Washington's desire for easier money as a way to stimulate eco-

nomic growth. "We know that the riddle of job creation cannot be solved entirely by low interest rates or better training policies or high-tech investment alone, but we need these," Mr. Clinton told an audience of finance and labor ministers from the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Britain, Italy and Canada.

He stressed that government measures designed to spur growth had to be accompanied by incentives to create high-wage jobs. "Private enterprise, not govern-

ment action, is the engine of growth in the economic sector," he said. Mr. Clinton, who said the United States would continue to reduce its budget deficit as part of its contribution to world economic growth, added that he saw no rea-son for further increases in interest rates in the United States.

Rates in America had "had to go up some" after the economic recovery began picking up steam, but this movement was no cause for panic, Mr. Clinton told reporters before his speech.

"We had the highest growth rate in a decade, but I think that since there is no inflation in the economy, interest rates should not continue to go up," he said.

Norbert Blum, Germany's labor minister, meanwhile warned that 3 million unskilled jobs would disappear in Germany in the next eight years, and he said it was essential to train people and equip them with

Mr. Blüm said Germany could learn from the more flexible work patterns, such as part-time work, that are widespread in the United States. But he and Günter Rexrodt, the German economics minister. said there were aspects of the American system that Germany did not wish to emulate, such as its large number of low-paying jobs.

#### Thinking Ahead /Commentary

## Time for a New World View at OECD

By Reginald Dale International Herald Tribune

WASHINGTON - One way to shake up an international organization is to give it the

Since last year, Ireland's energetic Peter Sutherland has supplied a big shot in the arm to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade in Geneva. In London, Jacques de Larosière is cleaning up the mess at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Now there is a move afoot to give a similar jolt to the low-profile Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, based in Paris. Unfortunately, the leading industrial democracies that run the outfit are going about it all the wrong way.

The OECD — part think tank, part forum for intergovernmental cooperation — has

been undergoing an identity crisis for as long as almost anyone can remember. Now, as the world speeds away from its partitioned postwar economic structure toward global mar-kets, it is high time to rethink the organiza-

The chance to do just that has arisen as Jean-Claude Paye, the organization's current secretary-general, approaches the end of his second five-year term in September.

For months now, American officials have been saying "What we need is our own Peter Sutherland." But instead of trying to find that person. Western governments are going through the tired old ritual of supporting candidates because of their nationality.

The U.S. administration lamely decided to try to break the traditional European monopoly on the job by asking Canada to produce a candidate — figuring that it would be more diplomatic to use a Canadian stalking horse

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to win the post for North America than to

demand it for the United States. So Canada has trotted out Donald Johnston, president of the governing Liberal Par-ty, who held several economic cabinet posts under Pietre Trudeau but is little known

outside his native land. Britain supports the candidacy of its controversial former chancellor of the Exchequer, Nigel Lawson; Germany is offering its own favorite son, Lorenz Schomerus, an Economics Ministry official who has little chance

While members haggle over a new chairman, they could be working to redefine the group's role.

of winning; and France, of course, backs Mr.
Paye for a third term.
As a result, the choice will probably be made by horse-trading among the major powers, with no real discussion of the organi-zation's future, the merits of the candidates

or their views.

Mr. Johnston and Lord Lawson are both promoting themselves as senior politicians who will find it easier than Mr. Paye to hobnob with government leaders. But neither of them has much in the way of a thought-out plan for the organization's future.

The sharpest analysis comes from Mr. Paye, who argues that there is a big vacuum to be filled by the OECD in a world where markets and corporations are global but governments are still only national.

The organization could also be the best place for dialogue and problem-solving among the emerging regional economic groupings in Europe, Asia and North Ameri-

Already the OECD has become much more active in pursuing contact with nonmembers in Asia, Latin America and Central and Eastern

Europe. Mexico will probably join this year, and South Korea in perhaps two years' time. That's the way to go. By acquiring new members to reflect the changing balance of world economic power, the OECD can strengthen its role as a pathfinder in world

trade negotiations. At the same time, it should position itself to give close support to an expanded Group of Seven and to help integrate the ex-Com-munist nations into the world economy. As a bastion of Western liberal economic

values, it should aggressively recruit the most dynamic developing and ex-Communist countries as soon as they qualify to join. But the OECD cannot decide to do all that by itself. What governments should do in the next few months is to first agree on a new blueprint for the organization along these lines. Then they should look for the candidate best able to carry it out.

It does not much matter whether the new secretary-general is a politician or a bureaucrat. The job carries only as much authority

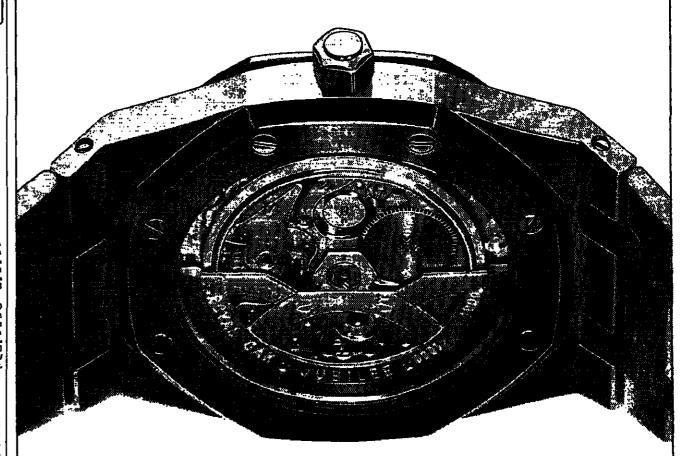
as governments are prepared to grant.

A good way to start would be a series of internationally televised debates among the four candidates. That not only would help to pick the winner; it also would bring the OECD and the issues that concern it to a wider audience. Perhaps Peter Sutherland could be persuaded to moderate.

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## **Technology Issues Rise on Wall Street**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — Stocks edged higher on Wall Street on Monday. as a rally in technology issues overcame concerns about rising longterm interest rates.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 0.28 of a point to 3.862.98 after a late bout of computer-driven sell orders shaved almost 10

#### **U.S. Stocks**

points off the average. Nine common stocks were higher on the New York Stock Exchange for every eight shares that declined. Volume was a moderate 260.2 million

"The major question for the equity market going forward is how and Microsoft, up 15: to 83%. fast inflation accelerates because that will determine where interest rates go next," said Jeffrey Applegate, investment strategist at CS 3¼ at 62¼.
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the 30-year Treasury bond to rise to Electric Co. slid 1/2 to 30%. 6.94 percent from a low of 6.88 vestors tend to move money into fixed-income investments from

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ogy issues, up ½ to 16% after Leh-man Brothers upgraded the stock to "buy" from "outperform," tradThe Dow

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Daily closings of the Dow Jones industrial average

Other rising technology issues on the New York Stock Exchange included IBM, up 11/2 to 57% and Motorola, which rose 1% to 107, benefiting from the weekend deal between Washington and Tokyo that would open the Japanese cellular phone market to it.

In over-the-counter trading, Apple rose 34 to 38 after introducing its first computers based on the PowerPC chip developed with IBM and Motorola. Other gaining OTC technology issues were Intel, up 11/4 to 691/4; Sun, which rose % to 30;

Teléfonos de Mexico was the most-active New York Stock Exchange issue in late trading, sown

Shares of electric utility and tele-Interest rates were up Monday phone companies were among the after the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta said its survey of businesses in the southeast reveals that in- ten fall when interest rates rise. flation is more of a problem than MCI Communications Corp. declined % to 24%. Ameritech Corp. The report caused the yield on fell % to 40% and Pacific Gas &

Walt Disney fell 1% to 45%. The percent. When rates advance, in- company will share the burden of refinancing its 49 percent-owned Euro Disney SCA with creditor

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## **Rate Speculation Gives** A Nudge to the Dollar

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — The dollar posted moderate gains on Monday as speculation mounted that the Federal Reserve Board may raise rates relatively soon and as regional election results in Germany undercut

the Deutsche mark. The dollar closed at 1.6910 DM on Monday, up from a close on

#### Foreign Exchange

Friday of 1.6835 DM, and to 106.175 yen from 105.000.

Dealers also said the dollar's rise was also prompted by expectations of lower European interest rates amid signs that the Bundesbank could further reduce German rates at the central council meeting on

The mark had been undercut by Sunday's election results in Lower Saxony, which dealt a sharp setback to Chancellor Helmut Kohl's coalition government.

Nick Parsons, an analyst at Ca-

the vote for German legislative

The market was not struck so much by the defeat as by the Libertation in parliament.

Traders added that the impact of the Whitewater investigation on

market remains, however, the interest rate outlook in the U.S. and Germany, with many investors expecting inflation data in the United States on Tuesday and Wednesday to support the case for a further

the dollar rose to 1.4355 Swiss francs on Monday from a close on Friday at 1.4200 francs and it climbed to 5.7470 French francs from 5.7243 francs. The pound

elections next October.

al party's drop below the 5 percent level," he said, commenting on the fate of the government's junior coalition party, which failed to meet the threshold needed for represen-

the dollar was also receding after initial reactions and many unconfirmed rumors last week triggered bouts of speculative selling. The key consideration in the

tightening by the Fed.

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#### Rise in Sales and Inventories Halted

WASHINGTON (AP) - Business inventories were virtually unchanged in January and sales slipped 0.3 percent after five consecutive monthly increases, the government said Monday.

Inventories totaled a seasonally adjusted \$872.9 billion, the Commerce Department said, nearly the same as December's revised total.

Total sales by businesses, meanwhile, fell to a seasonally adjusted
\$610.9 billion, the first decline since July. The figure includes retail,

wholesale and factory transactions. The inventory-to-sales ratio was 1.43 at the end of January, compared with 1.42 the previous month. That means it would take 1.43 months to

#### Dana to Buy Metallgesellschaft Asset NEW YORK (Knight-Ridder) - Dana Corp. said Monday it had

signed a letter of intent to buy Metaligesellschaft AG's 47 percent stake in Kolbenschmidt AG. Terms were not disclosed

Kolbenschmidt, based in Neckarsulm, Germany, makes and distributes pistons, piston pins, friction bearings, valves, aluminum engine blocks and oil and water pumps. It has projected its sales for this year at \$650 million. Dana makes and markets products and systems for vehicular and industrial equipment markets.

#### Sprint Sets \$350 Million Investment

WASHINGTON (AP) - Sprint Corp., the United States' third-largest ong-distance telephone company, said Monday it planned to invest \$350 million in the next three years to install an advanced form of fiber-optic transmission equipment in its 23,000-mile network.

Sprint said the upgrade would provide its customers uninterrupted service when lines are damaged and enable them to send video and data traffic over its network at twice the speed and volume currently available. The new technology will rely on an advanced form of fiber-optics ransmission called Sonet, for "synchronous optical network." It will be installed in each of 338 locations where Sprint's network connects with those of local telephone companies.

#### Ralston Gets Favorable Tax Kuling

ST. LOUIS (Bloomberg) — Raiston Purina Co. said Monday that the Internal Revenue Service had issued a favorable tax ruling on its proposal to spin off several businesses including its cereals and baby-foods lines. The spin-off plan still needs Securities and Exchange Commission

approval and a final review by Ralston directors, the company said.

If those conditions are met by March 24, shares in the proposed new company would be distributed March 31, Ralston said. Holders of Ralston-Ralston Purina Group stock would receive one share of the new concern, Ralcorp, for every three Ralston Purina Group shares, according to a filing the company made with the SEC in January.

#### Federal Express Stock Jumps

MEMPHIS, Tennessee (Bioomberg) - Federal Express Corp. shares rallied Monday after the company reported improved earnings because of a gain from aircraft sales and reduced losses in its international division. After trading closed Friday, the package and document delivery company said third-quarter net income had risen to \$31.2 million, or 55 cents a share, from \$8.5 million, or 15 cents a share, a year earlier. Its shares were quoted late Monday at \$70.875, up \$3.25.

#### For the Record

Crane Co. said it had raised its offer for Mark Controls Corp. to \$15.50 a share from \$13.

Tele-Communications Inc.'s chief executive, John Malone, has talked with Time Warner Inc. executives about a possible international cablemusic program to compete with Viacom Inc.'s MTV channel, according to executives close to the talks.

General Motors Corp. workers at two brake factories went on strike Monday after failing to reach agreement on a contract. The 3,000 striking workers at the Delco Chassis Division plants said they were worried about job security.

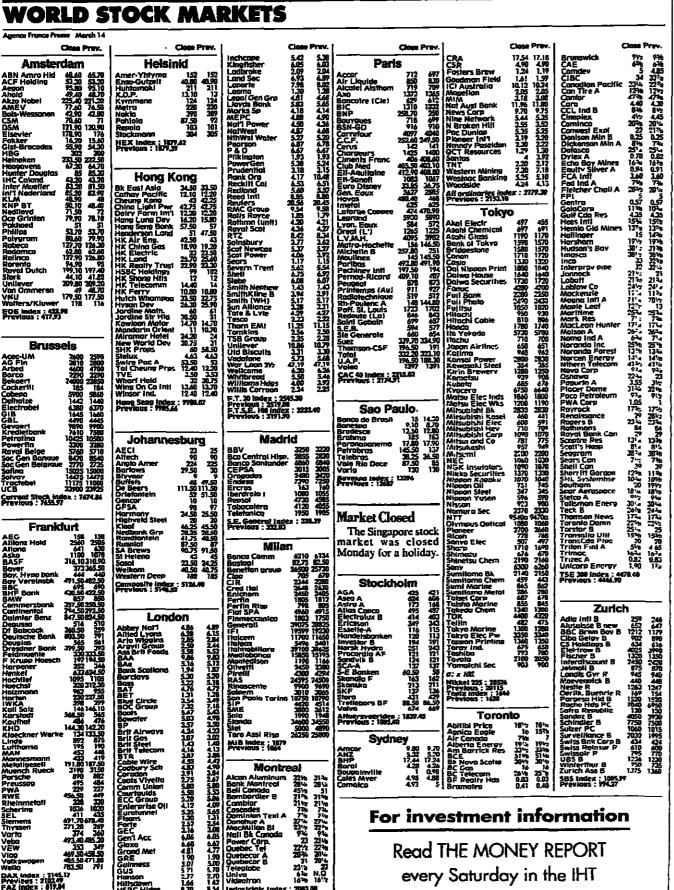
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# Railroads Plan Tunnel Delay

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PARIS - French and British railroad officials said Monday that they would seek compensation for losses resulting from the delays in starting freight service through the yet-to-open Channel Tunnel."

Eurotunnel SA, operator of the tunnel, had hoped to begin freight service March 7. But the start-up has been delayed indefinitely, as

#### Suzuki Striving To Save Plant

The Associated Press

MADRID - Suzuki Motor Co. will try to avoid closing its Santana Motor subsidiary, Spain's industry minister, Juan Eguiagaray, said Monday.
The minister said the Japa-

nese automaker had agreed to maintain its 85 percent stake in Santana for the time being and said Spain's central and regional governments would increase their funding as well.

He gave no details on how much the government or Suznki would be investing, and be indicated that Suzuki still would seek to cut about 1,700 of the 2,900 jobs at three plants where Suzuki four-wheel-drive vehicles are assembled.

has the start of passenger service. which initially was expected to begin in early May. Alain Poinssot, director of

freight operations for SNCF, the French national railroad, said the delays were causing financial losses for his company and British Rail, He also said the uncertainty over a start-up date was creating mistrust and impatience among clients of the two railroads' freight services.

Mr. Poinssot, joined at a news conference by his British Rail counterpart, Ian Brown, said the amount of damages to be sought would be determined by lawyers for the two railroads.

Eurotunnel already is engaged in a legal dispute with the railroads. The tunnel's operating company is seeking to compensate for the soar-ing cost of the project by raising the previously agreed fees that the railroads would pay for use of the undersea tracks.

Eurotunnel characterized the planned action by the railroads as a counterclaim to its action against them. "It's really a jockeying for position," a Eurotunnel spokes-man, Robin Swinbank, said in London. "Our claim is certainly

higher than theirs." The official inauguration of the tunnel is set for May 6, but Euro-tunnel has indicated that passenger service will be delayed for at least several weeks after that date.

## An Instant Bourse, Just Add Stocks Kiev's Empty Market Awaits Privatization Listings

By Jill Barshay New York Times Service KIEV, Ukraine --- What if you had a stock exchange and nobody came?

For the last two and a half years, Ukraine's market has been dressing up in high-grade new technology. A million dollars' worth of gleaming IBM computers line the rows of the exchange's trading hall, where, in theory, shares can be electronically traded within seconds by modem from any village, no mat-

An investment of more than \$5 million, most of it from France, has transformed a building that once housed a school for Communist Party officials into what might be a cutting-edge bourse, with technology that would be familiar in New York, London or Tokyo. There is a problem, though: So far, there is

virtually no financial market. Only two stocks,

a shipping company and a bank, are traded on the computerized system, for less than an hour each week. About 10 other stocks trade by hand elsewhere in the building.

Meager activity is hardly unknown in the fledgling stock markets of Eastern Europe. The stock exchange in Hungary reopened in 1990, 42 years after the Communists closed it,

with one listed company, a travel agency. By the end of 1993, there were at least 25 listed shares in Hungary, though a year before that, Budapest was difficult terrain for stock. A fively exchange in Poland trades in fewer

than two dozen stocks. Russia's 57 exchanges

now offer more than 1,000 stocks. Ukraine seems to have deeper problems than some of the other former Soviet-bloc countries, and these are reflected in its stock market. While Russia's state companies are privatizing at the rate of 900 a month, creating new securities, Ukraine has yet to begin selling its state companies in earnest. The two companies listed on its electronic exchange were privatized by special presidential decree.

Beyond that, start-up private companies in Ukraine are reluctant to go public for fear of having to open their books. Succeeding in business sometimes means dodging or delying layers of rules and regulations left over

from the time of the Communist government. When President Leonid M. Kravchuk came to see the computerized stock exchange last month, he described it as "a barometer of the national economy," producing an unwitting double-take.

In fact, Ukraine is better known these days for its rampant inflation, perilously low cur-

#### Ukraine's electronic market lists just two shares, while about 10 others are traded by hand.

rency reserves and unproductive, debt-ridden

"If we're a barometer of the economy, the vernment has a problem," said Valentin Oskolsky, the Ukrainian stock exchange's chairman. "We're waiting only for privatization and nothing more. Privatization could yet invigorate the Ukrai-

nian market. Parliament's latest program calls for selling 8,000 state enterprises — 28 percent of the total — by the end of this year.

As part of a \$30 million proposal by foreign aid donors to make privatization a reality, the U.S. Agency for International Devel-opment will lead an effort to print the rivatization certificates for 52 million Ukrainians and establish bidding centers in

each of the country's 24 regions, where people can deal in the certificates.

to streamline the bureaucratic process to get a state enterprise ready for sale of shares. The Ukrainian exchange was set up with a

French government donation of \$4.3 million in software and technical assistance in 1991. "At the time, everybody thought that Ukraine would have a fast development to the market and be the most important country" in the former Soviet region, said Philippe Pegor-

ier, France's commercial counselor here. "We were very excited and we were betting on the future. But now we are disillusioned No one thought things would go so badly here - hyperinflation, no privatization. How is it possible for a stock exchange to work when there is no economic reform?'

Without privatization or other large-scale movement toward a market economy, the Ukrainian stock exchange waits for a trickle of state concerns, such as Ukrrichflot Shipping Co. of Odessa, to be sold, one by one, by executive decree.

"It's just a game right now; the sums are so low it's funny," said Dmitri Sapunov, one of 40 traders using the electronic hall. "But it's good to practice techniques, to learn how the mechanism works."

Mr. Sapunov - who dresses like someone's idea of slick American stockbroker, in a green suit and flashy silk tie - represents Comex Inc. Comex started as a small importexport company four years ago and has grown into a conglomerate of 19 concerns, including a brokerage house.

Like some other brokers, Mr. Sapunov is not happy with the electronic system. There's not a permanent supply and demand," he said. The 52 brokerage firms trading on the older.

noncomputerized stock exchange have resisted switching because some brokers are uncomfortable using computers and prefer bargain-ing face to face. Beyond the one hour a week when that hall trades its 10 stocks, it is given But the government will be under pressure over to a random antiques or art auction.

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• European Union negotiators will meet in Tokyo on Thursday with Japanese counterparts to try to hammer out a ceiling for Japanese car exports to the European Union in 1994.

Royal Gist-Brocades NV, the Dutch biochemicals company, said profit rose 30 percent, to 135.1 million guilders (\$72 million), in 1993 due to higher returns on pharmaceuticals and one-time gains.

Costain PLC said it posted a pretax profit of £68.7 million (103 million) in 1993, following a loss in 1992 of £204.6 million, and cited the sale of its

France's industrial production was marked by a "good tendency" in February for the fourth straight month, according to a monthly business report issued by the Bank of France.

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## **Builders of Information Highway Say** European Regulatory Habits Block Path

By Jacques Neher International Herald Tribune

PARIS - Europe is preparing to test key elements of an electronic-information super-highway, but industry leaders say a fully operational system will never be built unless national governments end their telephone monopolies and toss out their regulatory rulebooks.

At stake, they say, are jobs for unemploymentplagued Europe, and the prospect of Europe falling hopelessly behind the United States in the multibillion-dollar race to develop a state-of-theart electronic network for homes and offices. But regulators seem unwilling to go that far,

suggesting that national and European "high-way patrols" will be required to ensure that operators and providers of multimedia services play fairly and yield to political pressure to make their offerings affordable for all, just as "It's better to tear up the rules and let it

happen," lain Vallance, chairman of British Telecom PLC, said at a recent industry gathering in Paris. The very logic of an international information superhighway, he insisted, would be undermined by imposing national regulations.

"If Europe doesn't get a grip on this, it will fall further and further and further behind the

United States and Japan," he said.

The call for a free and open telecommunica tions market is gathering steam just as 17 public telephone companies in 15 European countries are about to test an integrated broadband network designed to control transmission and deliv-

to involve businesses that might use the system for high-quality videoconferencing or transfering large quantities of information.
Building a multimedia network is expected to

ery of high-speed data, voice and video data. The tests, to begin by summer, are expected

cost Europe hundreds of billions of dollars. But industry leaders say investors would not be attracted to such a venture as long as European

telecommunications companies — the likely operators of such a highway - are protected

and constrained by regulations. They seek freedom to make alliances, to go after cross-border markets and to let supply and demand determine prices.

Voice telephone services in the European Union are to be opened to competition by the start of 1998. But there has been no agreement about freeing the market for infrastructure items, and none is expected in the next few years. As a result, national operators are guaranteed monopolies in their home countries and

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are prevented from laying cables in markets beyond their frontiers.

In addition, under current regulations, telecommunications services must be priced according to the cost of delivery, rather than to what it might be worth to the customer.

Carlo De Benedetti, chairman of Olivetti SpA, said that unless it makes a drastic break from its national, monopolistic tradition, Europe will be sabotaging its brightest hope for fighting unemployment.

The only thing which unites Europe today is unemployment," he said. "Europe cannot compete in low-value products and labor costs. It has to compete in activities based on knowledge and professional skills." An information super-

highway, he said, would facilitate development of such activities - but it cannot be built in today's regulatory environment.

"People have to realize that out-and-out defense of nonmarket conditions in the communications industry will benefit no one and penalize everyone," he said. "The monopoly environment is our weakness."

Before investors will help build a multimedia network in Europe, the industry leaders said, telephone companies that transmit and organize the flow of data through the system will need freedom to charge what the market will pay for their services.

Mr. Vallance said operators of such systems should be able to charge according to the value of the information that is passing through their networks, rather than by current "cost-accounting" restrictions, which require the operators to deliver services based on the actual cost of transmitting data through the system.

"If I dig up a nugget of gold and have to hand it over for the price of digging it up, is that fair?" he asked.

In the case of a multimedia network, industry proponents argue that operators and "content roviders" should be able to charge much more for a blockbuster movie delivered over the system than for a classic from the archives or for two hours of electronic browsing through an interactive encyclopedia.

But investors' need for value-based pricing is likely to conflict with demands by European governments that all citizens have economical access to the system and its services.

"The real question is whether an information superhighway should be considered a universal service, to be affordable to everyone, or whether it should be viewed as an extra, like mobile telephones," a telecommunications policy official at the European Commission said. "There will be a lot of political pressure to make it universal, and that means price controls."

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## Revenue Surge Lifts **Outlook for Schering**

BERLIN — Schering AG, the BERLIN — Schering AG, the beath care throughout the world and intensified competition was a schering warned that reforms in health care throughout the world and intensified competition was ny, predicted Monday that sales would rise by more than 10 percent in 1994 and earnings would at least equal the results of 1993.

The company said that unex-

peciedly strong demand abroad had pushed sales up by 21 percent in January and February, prompting it to raise an earlier prediction that revenue would rise 6 percent in Klaus Pohle, the company's chief financial officer, said that sales in January and February had surged 65 percent in the Far East, 44 percent in Latin American and

ed that growth had only been modest in Germany, where sales climbed by 2 percent. He said it was difficult to make concrete forecasts about profit in 1994 as a result of considerable start-up costs related to Betaseron,

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January and February. But he not-

us new multiple sclerosis treatment. Group results will be at least as ugh as in the previous year," he said. "But that too may be more of

The figures look very good," said Petra Zamagna, an analyst at Deutare Bank's DB Research, who along with many analysts had ex-pected a rise in sales in the first two

currency fluctuations, but it is hard to explain what other factors could be behind such a strong rise," said Sven Dopke, an analyst at M.M. Warburg in Hamburg. He added that profit had probably risen at least as sharply as sales in the first

putting pressure on prices and that this would weigh on profit. It also noted that a cut in federal govern-ment subsidies for companies located in Berlin would also have a

negative impact.
Schering said that Betaseron would not make any notable contribution to profit in 1994. Giuseppe Vita, Schering managing board chairman, said that the company was experiencing start-up problems with Betaseron in the United States but that he was still confident that sales would rise to 300 million DM this year from 7

million DM in 1993. Introduced in the United States in 1993, Betaseron is used to treat multiple scierosis patients suffering an intermittent form of the disease. It is so far the only treatment for the debilitating disease, and analysts expect it to boost Schering's earnings sharply over the next years.

Mr. Vita said that even if a new multiple sclerosis drug from Hoechst AG, one of Schering's chief rivals, proved effective, it would not be on the market until 1997 at the earliest.

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As per the Articles of Incorporation dated March 8th, 1993, the Corporation had an authorized capital of USD 30.000.000 to consist of 6.000.000 authorized shares of a par value of USD 5,- each. Further to the decision taken at the Extraordinary General

Meeting dated July 19th, 1993, the authorized capital was increased by USD 20.000.000 raising it from its previous amount of USD 30.000.000 to USD 50.000.000, by the issuing of 4.000.000 authorized shares of a par value of USD 5,- each. Further to the decision taken at the Extraordinary General Meeting dated October 12th, 1993, the authorized capital was increased by USD 20.000.000 raising it from its previous amount of USD 50.000.000 to USD 70.000.000, by the issuing of 4.000.000

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authorized shares of a par value of USD 5,- each. Therefore, the Corporation has an authorized capital of USD 90.000.000 to consist of 18.000.000 authorized shares of a par value Consequently, the Board of Directors asked the Registrar and Transfer Agent, BANQUE DE GESTION EDMOND DE ROTHSCHILD LUXEMBOURG, to proceed with the stamping of

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## Daiei Pushes for Change **Japanese Retailer Wants More Say**

By James Sterngold

New York Times Service TOKYO - Isao Nakauchi is by Japanese standards a frightening revolutionary - he wants retailers to be retailers.

Those are fighting words in a country where, in stark contrast to the situation in most industrial countries, manufacturers and not retailers have determined which products make it to market, how they are sold and how they are priced. Retailers have generally done as they are told.

Mr. Nakauchi has been on a decades-long mission to change that, and there are signs that his long struggle may be coming to fruition. He is the chairman and controlling shareholder of Daiei Inc., Japan's largest supermarket chain and retailer, and after a series of mergers the company has developed far more influence over its suppliers.

Helped by the removal of some regulations at the urging of the United States, Daici has become a

big catalyst for change in Japanese retailing.

"They are absolutely right on target in what they are doing," said Mike Allen, the retailing analyst in Tokyo with Barclays de Zoete Wedd Securities. Everything they've done for the past year is just what they need to do to bring pricing control into the hands of the retailer. Date is out in front." Daici is a big discounter aiming at the lower end of the market, where volumes are huge and mar-

gins are thin. Its products range from food to clothing. It even owns a professional baseball team. More recently it has added real estate to its stable of interests. One problem, if it can be called that, is that Daiei's stock price has been on a tear. It has more than doubled in a year, closing at 1,910 year (\$18.15) a share in Tokyo Monday, compared with

about 790 yen in March 1993. But there is concern that the rise may have run its course. Mr. Allen, for instance, said he rated Daiei a "hold," saying it had traditionally been one of Japan's least efficient retailers.

But he was quick to add: "We still think that in the long term it has the highest potential for

retailer that has consistently improved gross margins throughout the recession

Kaori Hasegawa, the retailing analyst with Salomon Brothers Asia, also has some hesitations. She said almost a quarter of Daici's assets were devoted to nonretailing businesses such as real estate and condominium sales. These companies, she

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said, had not meshed well with the retailing businesses and had not produced impressive returns. "I've been wrong on this stock before," she said. "But the rise has been so sharp it concerns me a lot.

If their earnings don't meet expectations, there's a

real risk of a big drop. But she said Daiei had made great headway in taking control of its pricing. A good example is its three-decade fend with the country's largest con-sumer electronics company, Matsushita Electric

Mr. Nakanchi battled Matsushita in the early 1960s, when he sought to sell its refrigerators, rice cookers, televisions and other products at dis-

But recently Daiei took control of a smaller retail chain, Chujitsuya Co., which carries Matsushita products. A decade ago, when Daici made a similar acquisition, Matsushita stopped selling products to the retailer. This time it was big news when Matsushita agreed to keep selling to Chujitsuya: Daici had gained the upper hand.

Daiei was a pioneer in selling products under a rivate label at cut-rate prices. It has recently forged relationships with a number of manufacturers and big trading houses as it seeks to circumvent Japan's famously inefficient wholesaling system.

"Once they consolidate all these mergers, they will have even more purchasing power, and that's what they need to keep reducing their costs," Mr. Allen said. "When Daiei talks, the manufacturers

## 2 Japanese Firms Join Gen'l Magic

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TOKYO — Fujitsu Ltd. and To-shiba Corp. said Monday that they would join a U.S. multimedia consortium that has exested communications software that could become the global standard.

The companies said they would invest undisclosed amounts in General Magic Inc., which will entitle them to use General Magic's Telescript and Magic Cap communications software systems.

Fujitsu said it would invest as early as this spring, while Toshiba said the formal agreement on capital participation was expected to be completed this month.

The companies said they recog-nized Telescript and Magic Cap as strong candidates to become industry standards for communications. They identified the link as an effort to keep pace with developments in multimedia, the ill-defined combination of telecommunications, computer, video, and sound technology.

Fujitsu said that it would use the software to develop new communications media it dubbed Life Media for "use in the coming interactive multimedia age,"

General Magic, a manufacturer of communications software prod-ucts based in California, is partly owned by Apple Computer Inc., Motorola Inc., American Telephone & Telegraph Co., Philips Electronics NV, Sony Corp. and Matsushita Electric Industrial Co. (AFP, Bloomberg)

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Japan, but it has since argued that it has been unfairly blocked from

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economic embargo ended, Vietnam Investment Review reported.

• Taiwan's Overseas Economic Cooperation Development Fund said skyrocketing land prices in Vietnam may force Taiwan to reconsider its policy of increasing investment there.

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JAPAN: U.S. Talks to an Outcast

Listing Freeze Calms China's

Small Investors

SHANGHAI — China unveiled

a four-point rescue plan for its bat-

tered stock markets on Monday

that will slow the pace of new list-

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a buying binge that sent prices

The move followed a demonstra-

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Modest Upturn

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HONG KONG - Swire

Pacific Ltd. said Monday its

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Small investors responded to the

package, announced in the China Securities News, with a stampede

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The Shanghai A share index

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## **U.S. Honda Executives Are Indicted for Bribes**

By Doron P. Levin New York Times Service

CONCORD, New Hampshire Following a year-long probe of allegations that more than \$10 million of bribes and kickbacks had been paid by car dealers for Honda franchises and for allocation of extra automobiles, the U.S. attorney here unsealed grand jury indictments on Monday against former top Ameri-can executives of Honda Motor Co. Though rankings of white-collar crime are not kept, the investigation against Honda by federal

appeared to be one of the most extensive of its kind ever carried out by the government. Eight former Honda executives agreed to plead guilty to federal payments including racketeering,

agents probing commercial bribery

and charged under the same statcharged with crimes. Neither Honda Motor Co. in the United States nor any of its Japanese execBureau of Investigation in Boston, said the investigation was expected to continue "for some time."

Michael Connolly, an assistant U.S. attorney, said the eight execu-tives who pleaded guilty are coopcrating with investigators in return for recommendations of leniency in sentencing. Sentencing could begin this summer, Mr. Connolly said. Thomas Elliott, executive vice president of Honda, said the auto-

maker was "outraged and sad-dened by the criminal activities described in the guilty pleas and the indictments." Prosecutors said Honda had been cooperating with said it has been defrauded of "millions of dollars," which it intends to The guilty pleas, however, lend

Kirk House, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands,

acy. Five other Honda executives been rumored for years among named in the indictments were arrested by agents starting on Friday and charged under the same starsult of civil litigation: namely, that So far no car dealers have been some Honda sales executives favored certain dealers with lucrative franchises in return for amounts as much as \$750,000 and delivery of more than the usual number of ecutors emphasized the investiga-tion has not concluded. Robert turn for cash and gifts. Honda and Acura vehicles in re-

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## **SPORTS**

## In the Days Before Baseball's Rules of Fruition

By Shirley Povich

FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida — There was a tap on his shoulder the other day and a certain baseball writer was being told by a functionary in a New York Yankees cap that he had trans-

"Step back on the grass, sir," he said. "You know the rules."
This was behind the batting

cage, and the writer's sin was standing in the dirt area around the cage. Two midget steps to the rear, and now the grass was under his feet and he had complied, his location now acceptable.

The printed rules are a big thing in the Yankees' spring-training camp. "No member of the media is allowed in fair or foul territory beyond first or third base." And.
"45 minutes before the game, clear out of the dugouts and the clubbouse.

There is more: "Still photographers and cameramen must stay in assigned areas."

"The clubhouse is off-limits when the game starts. No player may be accessed unless he has left

In baseball's less-monied days, spring training used to be more fun for the writers and everybody else. The informality of rickety old clubhouses, wooden grand-stands and the heavenly absence of TV crews and pompous publicrelations corpsmen brought players and writers together. They stayed and ate together in the same little hotels, called each other by first names and were uninhibited by lengthy instructions from PR departments.

Today, "access" is the buzzword. Yankees players are not approached, they are "accessed." Of all the clubs, the Yankees are the most rule-crazy, but the others are not far behind.

In contrast there was the late Clark Griffith, owner of the old Washington Senators. He was team proprietor, team president and bottle washer. Griffith had no

He would often call The Washington Post sports editor and say: "Walter Johnson is pitching to-morrow. Gimme a headline."

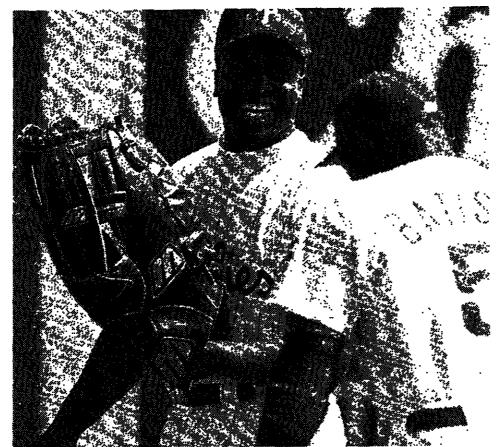
Modern big-league teams are enjoying the bounty of eager Flor-ida and Arizona towns whose citizens build them modified big-league stadiums for free. Lavish clubhouses with shining bathrooms and Nautilus equipment are what's in style. Plus ample individual lockers.

Not so in the era of the Senators

and their contemporary clubs of an earlier day. On entering the clubhouse on the first day of spring training each player searched out the hook on which he could hang his stuff and hoped to find a stool on which to sit. Nothing like the expensive lockers pro-vided the New York Mets in their deal with the town of Port St. Lucie, Floria, which built them to specifications that provided an extra-wide locker for the catchers in recognition of their heavier equipment or, mayhap, their broader backsides.

When the Senators set up camp in Orlando, Florida, in 1936, after moving from Biloxi, Mississippi, they quartered themselves in the downtown Angbilt Hotel, not a luxury address. However, it was on the same street as Orlando's two movie theaters and thus advertised itself on its matchboxes as "Orlando's only fireproof ho-tel. In heart of theater district."

This is not to say all of the Senators were quartered in the Angbilt, which Griffith considered too rich and expensive for some of the team's lesser rookies. So, shunted to Mrs. Mason's boarding house at considerably less expense to the team were the likes of Mickey Vernon, Early Wynn, Walter Masterson and George Case, who at mealtime could practice their boardinghouse reach. It is memorable that from that group would evolve a two-time American League bat-ting champion (Vernon) a Hall of



The Phillies' Wes Chamberlain got a handful from his teammate Kim Batiste during a workout.

Fame pitcher (Wynn) and an American League-leading base stealer (Case).

This was an era when the players, on road trips, were subsisting on \$6-a-day meal money. Some of the saving types would show a profit by doing on hamburgers and hot dogs.

The Senators worked out at Tinker Field, named for Joe Tinker, an Orlando native and the old Cubs second baseman of the legendary Tinker-to-Evers-to-Chance fame. Tinker Field had a wooden grandstand, wooden dug-

camps in Florida in the late '30s.

Joe Tinker was almost always present at Tinker Field, in a ne Groh." wheelchair. So it was that one day

tors' dugout, Groh extended his hand and said, "Guess who I chap who already had too many the result."

Helping to make the living easy when a visitor in the clubhouse in Orlando was Phil Berger's Tavturned out to be Heine Groh, the ern, the home away from home for sling. What happened? old National League third base- writers covering the Washington man of Tinker's era. Groh asked team. The gathering at Berger's to be taken to Tinker, a teammate was a ritual, and Berger ran an whom he hadn't seen in years.

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outs and wooden clubhouse, all am?" Tinker studied his visitor a graying and tilting. But it was not bit and then delivered his unforunlike other spring-training gettable reply. "I don't rightly camps in Florida in the late "30s. know," he said, "but if you had

in Bradenton to play the Cardinals that we encountered McLehair, you little SOB, you'd be Heifor the United Press. But now his

> Whereupon McLemore, pointing to the three steps leading to the old press box, said: "That's where it happened. In my time I have fallen three miles drunk. I

#### SIDELINES

#### Baiul Withdraws From World Event

TOKYO (AP) — Oksana Baiul, the defending Olympic and world champion, will not compete in the World Figure Skating Championships next week, organizers said Monday.

Baiul's withdrawal leaves the women's singles competition without its top two stars. Nancy Kerrigan of the United States, who won the silver medal at the Lillehammer Games, had announced earlier that she was too tired to compete. The organizers said the Ukrainian team would replace

Baiul with Inna Vayets. They gave no reason, but Baiul had complained, of back pain and pain in her lower leg after the Olympics.

Takashi Matsunaga, chairman of the All Japan Women's Professional Wrestling Association, said Monday he was offering Tonya Harding \$2. million to be a pro wrestler in Japan. He said he hoped to meet with the 'skater while she is in Japan for the world championships, "Tonya was' made to be a pro wrestler," he added. "She's about as tough as they come, and she'll last a lot longer in our sport than she will in figure skating." —

#### Nagano Officials Deny Bribe Report

TOKYO (Reuters) — Officials of Nagano, venue for the 1998 Winter Olympics, on Monday dismissed reports that Japanese paid alleged bribes to an Italian to back the Japanese city's bid to host the Games. "That's quite impossible," Nagano's mayor, Tasuku Tsukada, was quoted as saying by newspapers on Monday. "At the bid stage, our rivals were Salt Lake City and Ostersund. So we only knew Aosta as a name of the salt of the Stage of th

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candidates. We did not regard it as our main rivals."

Italian judicial sources said on Sunday that magistrates were investigating alleged bribes paid by Japanese individuals to an Italian to back."

Nagano's bid to host the 1998 Games. The sources said supporters of Nagano were suspected of paying 5 billion lire (\$3 million) to a resident of Aosta, which also made a bid to host the Olympics.

2d IAAF Appeal of Reynolds Ruling

MONACO (Reuters) — The International Amateur Athletic Federation said Monday that it had lodged a second appeal against a U.S. court decision awarding \$27.4 million in damages to Butch Reynolds of the United States, the 400-meter word-reoord holder.

The IAAF model models convenient body confirmed that the action

The IAAF, world track's governing body, confirmed that the action was being taken at the sixth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeal in Cincinnati. Reynolds successfully sued the IAAF in a court in Colombus, Ohio, after he was banned for two years over a positive dope test in Monte Carlo in-1990. In July, a federal judge rejected an appeal by the IAAF.

#### Price Near-Perfect in Honda Golf

FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida (Combined Dispatches) — Nickl.' Price, playing nearly perfect golf, came from three strokes behind to win the Honda Classic.

Price, 37, hit all 18 greens and missed only one fairway on Sunday. He. shot a 5-under-par 66 for a total of 8-under 276, and beat Craig Parry, ... who shot 67, by a stroke. The Zimbabwean also held off a late surge by : \* John Daly, who, in his first tournament since his November suspension. made a startling run before finishing four strokes back in fourth place. ~-

Price got away to a birdie-birdie start, played the front side in 32 and - had the lead alone at the turn. He stretched it with birdies on the par-5: 12th, a two-putt from long range, and an 8-footer on the 13th. He gave; one back with a three-putt on the 15th. (NYT, AP).

#### For the Record

Two more yachts finished the fourth leg of the Whitbread Round the World race Monday, Winston and Brooksfield, bringing to nine thenumber that have arrived in Punta del Este, Uruguay.

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The AP Top 25

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Berger. Presently, though, he ap-

peared at another entrance leading from the adjoining hotel and was turned away again. Somehow,

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again by Berger he was taken aback and blurted, "Geez, do you

St. Petersburg was the capital of

Florida training camps, for both the Yankees and New York Gi-

ants quartered there in separate,

plush hotels. It was in St. Pete that Lefty Gomez of the Yankees com-

plained: "They told me to put on 15 pounds and I'd get a better

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It was in St. Pete that the great

Yankee Yogi Berra, after bragging

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teams were the Red Sox in Saraso-

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It was the day the Senators were

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/ Hummes (Timit, Austria, 162; 5, Micros Wos-meter, Germany, 141; 9, Werner Perofitoner, Holy, 146; 10, Armin Assinger, Austria, 134 Overall standings: 1, Aomodi, 1218; 2, Giror-dell, 945; 3. Alberto Tombo, Huly, 894; 4. Mader, 769; 5. Skoordal, 405; 6, Trinkl, 401; 7, Moe, 505; E. Klus, 547; 9, Thorsen, 599; 10, Mullen, 467.

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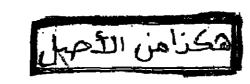
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Murray State has the best record in the field at 23-5. Others with impressive records include Bradley (21-7), Brigham Young (21-9), canisius (22-6), Davidson (22-7), Gonzaga (21-7), Old Dominion (20-7), Siena (21-7) and Xavier, Ohio (20-7).

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Revnold Ruling play Oklahoma (15-12).

Georgia Tech, 7-9 in o Georgia recu, 1-7 in total but left out Sizes the NCAA committee chose conly five teams from the Atlantic Coast Conference, must travel to Albany, New York, to play Siena

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Murray State at Bradley; Tulane 17-10) at Evansville; DePaul (16-11) at Northwestern (14-13); Miami, Ohio (19-10) at Xavier, Ohio; North Carolina Charlotte (16-12) at Duquesne (16-12); Texas A&M (19-10) at New Orleans (19-9); Southern Cal (16-11) at Fresno State (19-10); Davidson at West Virginia (16-11); Southern Mississippi (15-14) at Clemson (16-15); Manhattan (19-10) at Old Dominion (20-9); Canisius at Villanova (15-12); Mississippi State (18-10) at Kansas State (17-12); Arizona
State (15-12) at Brigham Young: and Gonzaga at Stanford (17-10).

## For NCAA Top Seeds, Method Prevails Amid Upset Madness

1994 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament

KANSAS CITY, Missouri -The National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament field was jumbled but not jarred after a wild weekend of upsets, confirming what seemed obvious: There are more than four teams in college basketball that deserve a top seed.

North Carolina, the defending champion, Purdue, Arkansas and Missouri received the top seeds on Sunday after a week in which 18 of the Top 25 teams lost at least once. Six of the top eight teams in The Associated Press poll lost over the weekend, causing the NCAA selection committee to do some lastminute shifting that created no shocks but likely did flip some

No. 1 and No. 2 seeds. As an indication of the depth of the 64-team field, the No. 2 seeds -Connecticut, Duke, Arizona and Massachusetts - all had shots at being No. 1 seeds entering the

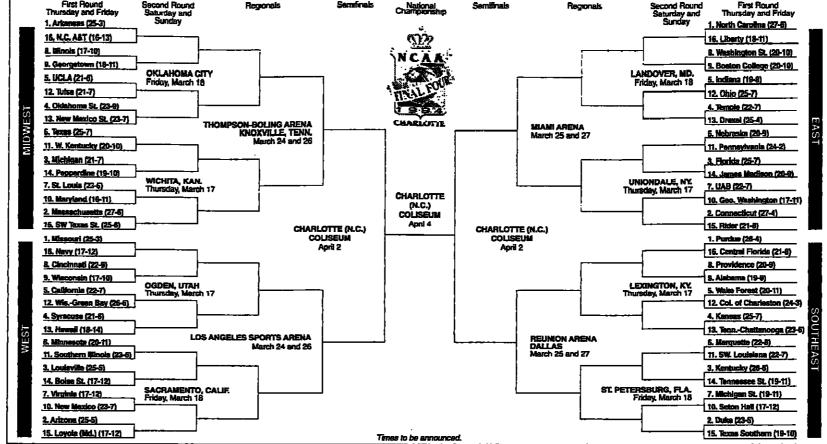
"I've never seen a day quite like yesterday," said Tom Butters, chairman of the NCAA selection committee and athletic director at Duke. "It was one of the most interesting days I've experienced, where so many great teams fell."

"Obviously, we had done a lot of work up to that time," he added. "We had to go back to the drawing table last night and take a look to see what change was necessary." Said the Kansas athletic director,

Bob Frederick, who will soon succeed Butters as committee chairman: "This was probably the most difficult tournament we've had in credible upsets Saturday, made it top seed in the Midwest. very difficult."
Play begins Thursday and Fri-

day at eight regional sites and concludes with the championship in the Big Eight tournament, was game in Charlotte, North Carolina, placed No. 1 in the West. game in Charlotte, North Carolina, on Monday, April 4,

North Carolina, which defeated Virginia in the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament final Sunday, was made the No. 1 seed in the East Regional. Purdue, the Big Ten champion, got the top seed in the Southeast Regional.



weekend, lost to Kentucky in the Southeastern Conference semifiseveral years. The parity, the in- nals, but still managed to get the Arkansas lost the top spot in the

final AP poll. (See Scoreboard) Missouri, defeated by Nebraska The field was so loaded with

'parity" that some traditional powerhouse conferences failed to get as many bids as usual. The Big Ten tied a tournament

record with seven teams. But the Big Eight, which got six bids each of the last two years, got only four, Arkansas, which was ranked as did the Southeastern Confer-No. 1 in the AP poll going into the ence. The ACC has only five.

Are these leagues slipping?

"I don't think that's as obvious as it sounds," Butters said. "What you need to understand is the wealth has spread. When we talk about parity, we're serious."

Butters said that the number of upsets caused some scrambling that had the committee working until 11 P.M. Saturday.

"Because so many fell, we didn't do a lot of changes," Butters said. Tournaments have a way in many respects of helping teams more than they hurt teams. You can only lose one game, you have the opportunity to win three."

"I won't say it didn't cause any

changes, but it did not cause a great deal," he added.

Connecticut, the regular-season Big East champion, lost a chance at a top seed when it was defeated Saturday by Providence in the conference tournament semifinal. Connecticut ended as the No. 2

"I think Connecticut would have been a No. 1 seed and not Purdue if they had won their tournament, said Kansas's coach, Roy Williams. Duke also missed out on any

chance at a No. 1 spot when it was upset by Virginia on Saturday in the ACC tournament. The Blue Devils are the No. 2 seed in the

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Herald Eribune

Said Kentucky's coach, Rick Pi- town and Boston College getting tino: "The good news is we're in the bids. Southeast region, the bad news is

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we're in a region with a lot of tough basketball teams. It's a very tough region but we're going to St. Peters-burg and it could be worse." Arizona is the second seed in the West and Massachusetts got the

No. 2 seed in the Midwest. The Big Ten placed seven teams in the field. Purdue was joined by Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan State and Minne-

The Big East was a surprise by getting six teams into the tourna-

On the other hand, the ACC surprisingly landed only five teams,

with Georgia Tech shut out. Tech finished 16-12 but defeated North Carolina twice. Also missing out were Brigham Young (21-9) and Xavier (20-7). "We're very disappointed that

we didn't get in," said Georgia Tech's coach, Bobby Cremins. "I really thought we had enough quality wins to get in there."

The best record among teams that did not make the field bement, with Connecticut, Syracuse, longed to Murray State, which was Seton Hall, Providence, George 23-5, including losses to tournament teams Arkansas and Saint

The biggest shocker in the field was the College of Charleston (South Carolina), which finished 24-3. This is only its third season of Division I basketball.

The last few years, I don't remember the NCAA taking the little guy for an at-large bid," said College of Charleston's coach, John Kresse It was combination of a tremendous record, nice nonconference wins and the longest win streak in the country."

"We went from being the talk of the town to the talk of the nation, he added.

North Carolina plays its first game against Liberty College, the champion of the Big South conference. Purdue takes on the Trans-America champion Central Florida. Missouri will play Navy, the Patriot League champion. And Arkansas will take on North Carolina A&T, which beat South Carolina

State, 87-70, Sunday night to win the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference championship. The No. 1 seed that travels farthest is Missouri, which lost only to

Arkansas and Notre Dame in the regular season and hoped to be No. 1 seed in the Midwest.

"Obviously, someone had to be sent west," Butters said. "It happens every year. Someone has to be displaced, and although I'm disappointed for any team that has to start off far away from their own fans, it nonetheless has been a factor, and I assure you it's going to be a factor in the future."

In addition to College of Charleston, others making their first appearance, all as conference champions, include Liberty of the Big South, Loyola, Maryland of the Metro Atlantic, Southwest Texas State of the Southland Conference and Central Florida of the Trans

Georgetown's coach, John Thompson, summed up the strategy of his team, which opens against Illinois in the Midwest.

"We know what we have to do," he said. "Our plan is just to lace up the sneakers and go out and play.

# Providence's Dickey Simpkins, left, and Eric Williams tangled with Georgetown's Don Reid en route to the Friars' Big East title.

## On a Roll, Upbeat Clippers Stop Warriors in OT

The Associated Press The Los Angeles Clippers, the team traditionally home to the most discontented players in the National Basketball Association, have been having fun since Danny Manning left town.
Ind they are winning a bit, too.

A 120-117 overtime victory against Golden

#### NBA HIGHLIGHTS

State on Sunday gave Los Angeles its first bree-game winning streak of the season and its lourth victory in seven games since Dominique Wilkins arrived. The Clippers had played the Warriors three

imes this season, losing by 46, 14 and 5. This time, however, they opened a 6-point lead in overtime and held on. Los Angeles still has a shot at the eighth and

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final playoff spot in the Western Conference. but it will have to make up seven games on the Denver Nuggets with just 22 left.

When you look at the way we are playing right now, I feel good about our position down the stretch," said Mark Jackson, who had his first triple-double of the season with 11 points, 17 assists and 13 rebounds.

Wilkins, acquired along with a conditional first-round pick for Manning on Feb. 24, added

Suns 100, Magic 93: In Orlando, Florida, Charles Barkley had his best performance since returning from a knee injury that sidelined him for 17 games, getting 30 points and 20 rebounds

"It's been a struggle for me to come back," he said. "I'm almost 100 percent, and I'm glad I'm getting better."

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Barkley and Johnson scored 19 of Phoenix's 21 points in the fourth quarter and the Suns withstood a 39-point, 14-rebound performance by Shaquille O'Neal.

SuperSonics 114, Trail Blazers 102: In Seattle, the Sonics broke the game open in the third quarter and coasted to their eighth victory in

The Sonics won their seventh straight home game and improved their Seattle Coliseum record to 25-3 and overall mark to 45-15, both the

best in the NBA. 76ers 114, Bullets 97: In Landover, Maryland, the 76ers won for the first time since Feb. 7, behind Clarence Weatherspoon's 28 points on 11-for-16 shooting and 12 rebounds.

The 15-game losing streak was Philadelphia's longest since the 1972-73 season, when the Sixers posted the worst record in NBA history - 9-73.

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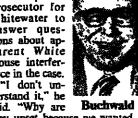
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WASHINGTON — The reason the White House is in such trouble over Whitewater is that no one working there has ever

heard of Watergate.
I discovered this when I was sitting in a Laundromat with an administrative aide from President Clinton's office. He had just been

appear in front of the special prosecutor for Whitewater to answer questions about ap-parent White House interference in the case.



derstand it," he said. "Why are Buchwald know what was going on in an insignificant S&L land development? If the president is involved. it's our job to put out the fire." "Perhaps the media was afraid of

another Watergate," I suggested.
"What is a Watergate?" he asked. "It was a major scandal involv-

ing President Nixon and his aides many of whom went to jail." "That was before my time," he "That's impossible. Everyone in

the country remembers Watergate. Don't the names Haldeman, Erlichman. Colson and Liddy mean anything to you?

#### **Dred Scott Decision:** A Find in Connecticut

New York Times Service NEW YORK — Edward Turner, an assistant public affairs officer for the U.S. Supreme Court and part-time antiques dealer, made some spectacular finds in the manuscripts collection of a New Haven, Connecticut, dealer.

Among the documents were two original copies of the infamous Dred Scott decision of 1857, which found that black slaves lacked the rights of citizens, and a first-edition copy of the Judiciary Act of 1789, which established the federal court system. The documents were purchased by the Supreme Court Historical Society for a total of \$3,900, and will be displayed periodically at the court.

It's Watergate, Stupid! ring a bell. I was playing in the sandbox back then."

> I could see he was serious. "You know who President Nixon was, don't you?" "Yeah. We learned about him in

American history."
"Well, his people broke into the
Democratic Party offices in the
Watergate building and were caught. It wasn't the crime itself but the cover-up that caused such a furor. All the forces of the White House were put into play to protect

however, because in the end Nixon lost everything."
"What has Watergate got to do

the president. It was a failed effort,

"Nothing, except the perception is that this White House staff is doing the same thing. There are reports that you are all shredding papers, hindering the investigation and hiding evidence. You people have learned nothing from Water-

"How could we? We were too young to know that the Justice Department didn't belong to us."

"Listen, Haldeman and Erlichman went to jail so that future White House staff members would know right from wrong. Don't you realize that interfering in the country's legal system can give a president heartburn?"

"But if we do have something to hide it doesn't make sense to let it leak out to the press," he said. "Whitewater could affect Clinton's re-election, and if the staff doesn't sweep it under the rug — who

I told him, "That's what the Watergate people said. They refused to acknowledge that they had lost their moral compass. All I'm trying to do is save you from going to a minimum-security prison like Allenwood where they have nice ten-

"O. K., so you've warned me, but that doesn't mean I believe every word of what you say." "What don't you believe?"

"That part about an American president being driven from office over a third-rate burglary at the Watergate — I don't know any-body in the White House who would be that stupid."

## Britain on Wheels: An Anglophile's Tale

By Susan Keselenko Coll ONDON - If the way Firdaus Kanga whizzes confidently, some might say recklessly, through West Hamp-stead traffic in his motorized wheelchair is

any indication, he has come a long way. Born in Bombay with osteogenesis im-perfecta, a brittle-bone condition that has eft his body oddly skewed and just shy of 4 feet tall (120 centimeters), this 34-yearold writer — a gay, disabled Indian — is one of the literary world's most startling success stories.

From a family of impassioned Anglophiles, Kanga inherited a love of all things British, and it comes as no surprise to readers of either his critically acclaimed first novel, "Trying to Grow," or his subsequent travelogue, "Heaven on Wheels," that he would eventually find a way to make England his home.

Those unfamiliar with Kanga's work will have a second chance to tune in: He has just finished writing the screenplay of his novel for the BBC and will make his acting debut when production begins this summer as the Parsi boy stuck inside a body so fragile that his ribs are liable to crack from a spurt of hiccups.

Over lunch in a neighborhood café, where Kanga is propped up to reach the table, he explains that these days, he is feeling physically strong. "I stopped breaking my bones when I was about 12 or 13," he says. "In that way. I suppose I was quite lucky. I had one of those conditions which got better as I grew, and not worse, which is what most conditions do."

With sparkling brown eyes and thick black hair, Kanga has an infectious charm, attributable in no small part to the zest for life that punctuates his every sentence with a melodic exclamation. Grocery shopping is as exotic to him as the opera, and he is so eager to interview the interviewer that one must struggle to keep the conversation on

"I think I probably had a tremendous Firdans Kanga, a success in England, has been criticized in his native India. sense of an unlived life in India." he says, describing a youth spent in the relative isolation of his supportive, if overprotective, family. Although he took exams at a private school in Bombay, his education took place largely at home with the aid of a

Until the recent acquisition of the motorized wheelchair, he had never experienced anything approaching independence. "I've never known that sense of being alone." he said. To be in a bookshop on your own. It's fantastic!"

Less surprising than Kanga's enthusiasm for his newfound freedom, however, has been the Indian response to such Anglophilia. His second book, detailing his travels through the United Kingdom, glorified ev-



erything English from Margaret Thatcher to indoor shopping malls to his editors at Bloomsbury, and managed to touch a raw nerve at home. Though sales of "Heaven on Wheels" were brisk, the reviews were not always flattering. One newspaper accused him of being obsessed with toilets for the disabled, missing the point of his critique,

"All you're supposed to do if you're disabled in India is just be good and pious so in your next life you'll have a better body,"

He has been ridiculed, as well, for writing about his homosexuality. "I think there was a terrible outrage about that," he says, explaining that the general response in India

ran along the lines of: "Can't you at least be ashamed enough to keep it quiet?"

In England, at any rate, they want to hear more. In addition to writing a play, "A Kind of Immigrant," about a disabled man who discovers he is homosexual, Kanga has also penned two television programs that aired on Channel 4. One program, entitled Taboo," dealt with Indian attitudes toward disability, while the other focused on the difficulties of relationships among dis-

Lest one get the impression that Kanga's success has only to do with his particular niche as a triple minority, he is quick to point out that he tends to land on the wrong side of the politically correct fence these days. His conservative politics often disarm

his more liberal-minded friends. Among other things, he says, he refuses to speak in slogans. In his play, for instance, he was asked to rewrite a scene in which a disabled person fantasizes about being able-bodied. "I would be told, 'You can't say that. You just can't say that sort of thing, because disabled people are very hap-py to be disabled. And I would say. Show

me one disabled person who hasn't fanta-sized about being able-bodied. Just one!"

He has likewise been criticized for depicting gay or disabled people as capable of being mean-spirited. "Why can't gay people be nasty to their lovers?" he cried. "I'm writing about the human heart!"

When he can force himself to resist the temptations of London, Kanga is at work on a second novel, about an Englishwoman who travels to the subcontinent to meet the man with whom she has been corresponding. "I'd much rather go out to supper with somebody new, or go to the theater," he conceded. "Who wants to sit at home and

Still, he seems to find the discipline, and has just signed to write another travel book. about his return journeys in India, most of which he did not see previously because of the difficulty of travel.

Despite his ambivalence, Kanga still

spends about two months a year in India visiting his family. Now that he has become spoiled by the relative case of getting around in England, with such amenities as the London taxi, big enough to accommodate him in his wheelchair, he finds travel in India "hideously difficult."

"I go somewhere and the whole village turns out to look at me," he says. "I suppose in a way I'm much easier about the whole thing, because I know my life is not there. I'm not trapped there anymore. So I think there's lots of room for sympathy. But in a way I think what good is that? I had to go away before I could afford to feel that."

Still, Kanga admits that life is not all a bed of roses in England, and to some extent, the novelty has worn off. One glitch in the dream, for example, is that the second-story flat where he lives does not have an elevator, which puts him at the mercy of friends, taxi drivers and sometimes even the police, for a lift up and down.

Has he considered moving, then? Well only on to the next fantasy, one so seductive he speaks it in a whisper: France. He's studying the language at home, immersing himself in French films and audiotapes. And given the strength of his will, it should come as no surprise if he comes motoring through the Channel soon, a zealous Fran-

Susan Keselenko Coll is a free-lance writer living in London.

#### **PEOPLE**

Griffith and Johnson: Together Again, Again?

The on-again. off-again marriage of the actress Melanie Griffith and the actor Don Johnson appears to be on again, just 24 hours after it was off again. Griffith, 36, had petitioned for divorce from Johnson, 44, and of the state of the sta nearly five years after they married television and radio reports say they are together at their ranch in Aspen.

Colorado, trying to reconcile their differences. They first married in each other for the second time. But 1976 when both were struggling actors but divorced less than two years later. They remarried in 1989, after both had become famous.

Stars of ballet performed in London in a tribute to Rudolf Nureyer at a gala organized by a British AIDS charity. Darcey Bussell, Irek Mukhamedov, Charles Jude, Zoltan Solymosi, Evelyn Hart and Tetsuya Kumakawa were among those who danced. Natalia Makarova performed in a comedy routine with the Muppet characters Miss Piggy and Kermit, as Nurevev had done in 1977. Nureyev died in Paris on Jan. 6, 1993, at the age of 54.

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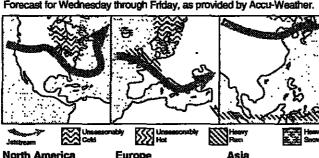
but the British police think they know who stole Sophia Loren's jewels in 1960. They said they had arrested and questioned 77-year-old Ray Jones, also known as "The Cat." Jones, who is writing his memoirs, told several newspapers that he had turned himself in. The jewels. valued then at £185,000 (\$280,000 at current rates), were stolen from the film star's hotel room near Elstree Studios outside London where she was filming.
The Millionairess with Peter Sellers in 1960. Jones told reporters in 1992 that he had stolen the gems. There was no word from the police on why they had not arrested

The Indian government has promised Ravi Shankar cheap land for a music academy after he threatened to take the project to the United States. The school will keep Shankar's recordings, instruments and memorabilia and will train students in Indian classical music.

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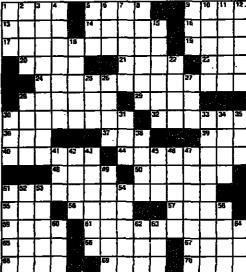
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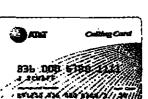
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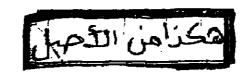
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